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(57) Abstract: The invention provides proteins from group B streptococcus (*Streptococcus agalactiae*) and group A streptococcus (*Streptococcus pyogenes*), including amino acid sequences and the corresponding nucleotide sequences. Data are given to show that the proteins are useful antigens for vaccines, immunogenic compositions, and/or diagnostics. The proteins are also targets for antibiotics.

NUCLEIC ACIDS AND PROTEINS FROM STREPTOCOCCUS GROUPS A & B

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TECHNICAL FIELD

This invention relates to nucleic acid and proteins from the bacteria *Streptococcus agalactiae* (GBS) and
5 *Streptococcus pyogenes* (GAS).

BACKGROUND ART

Once thought to infect only cows, the Gram-positive bacterium *Streptococcus agalactiae* (or "group B streptococcus", abbreviated to "GBS") is now known to cause serious disease, bacteremia and meningitis, in immunocompromised individuals and in neonates. There are two types of neonatal
10 infection. The first (early onset, usually within 5 days of birth) is manifested by bacteremia and pneumonia. It is contracted vertically as a baby passes through the birth canal. GBS colonises the vagina of about 25% of young women, and approximately 1% of infants born via a vaginal birth to colonised mothers will become infected. Mortality is between 50-70%. The second is a meningitis that occurs 10 to 60 days after birth. If pregnant women are vaccinated with type III capsule so that the infants are
15 passively immunised, the incidence of the late onset meningitis is reduced but is not entirely eliminated.

The "B" in "GBS" refers to the Lancefield classification, which is based on the antigenicity of a carbohydrate which is soluble in dilute acid and called the C carbohydrate. Lancefield identified 13 types of C carbohydrate, designated A to O, that could be serologically differentiated. The organisms that most commonly infect humans are found in groups A, B, D, and G. Within group B, strains can be
20 divided into 8 serotypes (Ia, Ib, Ia/c, II, III, IV, V, and VI) based on the structure of their polysaccharide capsule.

Group A streptococcus ("GAS", *S.pyogenes*) is a frequent human pathogen, estimated to be present in between 5-15% of normal individuals without signs of disease. When host defences are compromised, or when the organism is able to exert its virulence, or when it is introduced to vulnerable tissues or hosts,
25 however, an acute infection occurs. Diseases include puerperal fever, scarlet fever, erysipelas, pharyngitis, impetigo, necrotising fasciitis, myositis and streptococcal toxic shock syndrome.

S.pyogenes is typically treated using antibiotics. Although *S.agalactiae* is inhibited by antibiotics, however, it is not killed by penicillin as easily as GAS. Prophylactic vaccination is thus preferable.

Current GBS vaccines are based on polysaccharide antigens, although these suffer from poor
30 immunogenicity. Anti-idiotypic approaches have also been used (e.g. WO99/54457). There remains a need, however, for effective adult vaccines against *S.agalactiae* infection. There also remains a need for vaccines against *S.pyogenes* infection.

It is an object of the invention to provide proteins which can be used in the development of such vaccines. The proteins may also be useful for diagnostic purposes, and as targets for antibiotics.

DISCLOSURE OF THE INVENTION

The invention provides proteins comprising the *S.agalactiae* amino acid sequences disclosed in the examples, and proteins comprising the *S.pyogenes* amino acid sequences disclosed in the examples. These amino acid sequences are the even SEQ IDs between 1 and 10960.

5 It also provides proteins comprising amino acid sequences having sequence identity to the *S.agalactiae* amino acid sequences disclosed in the examples, and proteins comprising amino acid sequences having sequence identity to the *S.pyogenes* amino acid sequences disclosed in the examples. Depending on the particular sequence, the degree of sequence identity is preferably greater than 50% (e.g. 60%, 70%, 80%, 90%, 95%, 99% or more). These proteins include homologs, orthologs, allelic variants and
10 functional mutants. Typically, 50% identity or more between two proteins is considered to be an indication of functional equivalence. Identity between proteins is preferably determined by the Smith-Waterman homology search algorithm as implemented in the MPSRCH program (Oxford Molecular), using an affine gap search with parameters *gap open penalty*=12 and *gap extension penalty*=1.

15 Preferred proteins of the invention are GBS1 to GBS689 (see Table IV).

The invention further provides proteins comprising fragments of the *S.agalactiae* amino acid sequences disclosed in the examples, and proteins comprising fragments of the *S.pyogenes* amino acid sequences disclosed in the examples. The fragments should comprise at least *n* consecutive amino acids from the sequences and, depending on the particular sequence, *n* is 7 or more (e.g. 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 30,
20 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100 or more). Preferably the fragments comprise one or more epitopes from the sequence. Other preferred fragments are (a) the N-terminal signal peptides of the proteins disclosed in the examples, (b) the proteins disclosed in the examples, but without their N-terminal signal peptides, (c) fragments common to the related GAS and GBS proteins disclosed in the examples, and (d) the proteins disclosed in the examples, but without their N-terminal amino acid residue.

25 The proteins of the invention can, of course, be prepared by various means (e.g. recombinant expression, purification from GAS or GBS, chemical synthesis *etc.*) and in various forms (e.g. native, fusions, glycosylated, non-glycosylated *etc.*). They are preferably prepared in substantially pure form (i.e. substantially free from other streptococcal or host cell proteins) or substantially isolated form. Proteins of the invention are preferably streptococcal proteins.

30 According to a further aspect, the invention provides antibodies which bind to these proteins. These may be polyclonal or monoclonal and may be produced by any suitable means (e.g. by recombinant expression). To increase compatibility with the human immune system, the antibodies may be chimeric or humanised (e.g. Breedveld (2000) *Lancet* 355(9205):735-740; Gorman & Clark (1990) *Semin. Immunol.* 2:457-466), or fully human antibodies may be used. The antibodies may include a detectable
35 label (e.g. for diagnostic assays).

According to a further aspect, the invention provides nucleic acid comprising the *S.agalactiae* nucleotide sequences disclosed in the examples, and nucleic acid comprising the *S.pyogenes* nucleotide sequences disclosed in the examples. These nucleic acid sequences are the odd SEQ IDs between 1 and 10966.

5 In addition, the invention provides nucleic acid comprising nucleotide sequences having sequence identity to the *S.agalactiae* nucleotide sequences disclosed in the examples, and nucleic acid comprising nucleotide sequences having sequence identity to the *S.pyogenes* nucleotide sequences disclosed in the examples. Identity between sequences is preferably determined by the Smith-Waterman homology search algorithm as described above.

10 Furthermore, the invention provides nucleic acid which can hybridise to the *S.agalactiae* nucleic acid disclosed in the examples, and nucleic acid which can hybridise to the *S.pyogenes* nucleic acid disclosed in the examples preferably under 'high stringency' conditions (e.g. 65°C in 0.1xSSC, 0.5% SDS solution).

Nucleic acid comprising fragments of these sequences are also provided. These should comprise at least
15 *n* consecutive nucleotides from the *S.agalactiae* or *S.pyogenes* sequences and, depending on the particular sequence, *n* is 10 or more (e.g. 12, 14, 15, 18, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100, 150, 200 or more). The fragments may comprise sequences which are common to the related GAS and GBS sequences disclosed in the examples.

According to a further aspect, the invention provides nucleic acid encoding the proteins and protein
20 fragments of the invention.

The invention also provides: nucleic acid comprising nucleotide sequence SEQ ID 10967; nucleic acid comprising nucleotide sequences having sequence identity to SEQ ID 10967; nucleic acid which can hybridise to SEQ ID 10967 (preferably under 'high stringency' conditions); nucleic acid comprising a fragment of at least *n* consecutive nucleotides from SEQ ID 10967, wherein *n* is 10 or more e.g. 12, 14,
25 15, 18, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80, 90, 100, 150, 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 600, 700, 800, 900, 1000, 1500, 2000, 3000, 4000, 5000, 10000, 100000, 1000000 or more

Nucleic acids of the invention can be used in hybridisation reactions (e.g. Northern or Southern blots, or in nucleic acid microarrays or 'gene chips') and amplification reactions (e.g. PCR, SDA, SSSR, LCR, TMA, NASBA *etc.*) and other nucleic acid techniques.

30 It should also be appreciated that the invention provides nucleic acid comprising sequences complementary to those described above (e.g. for antisense or probing, or for use as primers).

Nucleic acid according to the invention can, of course, be prepared in many ways (e.g. by chemical synthesis, from genomic or cDNA libraries, from the organism itself *etc.*) and can take various forms (e.g. single stranded, double stranded, vectors, primers, probes, labelled *etc.*). The nucleic acid is
35 preferably in substantially isolated form.

Nucleic acid according to the invention may be labelled *e.g.* with a radioactive or fluorescent label. This is particularly useful where the nucleic acid is to be used in nucleic acid detection techniques *e.g.* where the nucleic acid is a primer or as a probe for use in techniques such as PCR, LCR, TMA, NASBA *etc.*

5 In addition, the term "nucleic acid" includes DNA and RNA, and also their analogues, such as those containing modified backbones, and also peptide nucleic acids (PNA) *etc.*

According to a further aspect, the invention provides vectors comprising nucleotide sequences of the invention (*e.g.* cloning or expression vectors) and host cells transformed with such vectors.

10 According to a further aspect, the invention provides compositions comprising protein, antibody, and/or nucleic acid according to the invention. These compositions may be suitable as immunogenic compositions, for instance, or as diagnostic reagents, or as vaccines.

The invention also provides nucleic acid, protein, or antibody according to the invention for use as medicaments (*e.g.* as immunogenic compositions or as vaccines) or as diagnostic reagents. It also provides the use of nucleic acid, protein, or antibody according to the invention in the manufacture of: (i) a medicament for treating or preventing disease and/or infection caused by streptococcus; (ii) a
15 diagnostic reagent for detecting the presence of streptococcus or of antibodies raised against streptococcus; and/or (iii) a reagent which can raise antibodies against streptococcus. Said streptococcus may be any species, group or strain, but is preferably *S.agalactiae*, especially serotype III or V, or *S.pyogenes*. Said disease may be bacteremia, meningitis, puerperal fever, scarlet fever, erysipelas, pharyngitis, impetigo, necrotising fasciitis, myositis or toxic shock syndrome.

20 The invention also provides a method of treating a patient, comprising administering to the patient a therapeutically effective amount of nucleic acid, protein, and/or antibody of the invention. The patient may either be at risk from the disease themselves or may be a pregnant woman ('maternal immunisation' *e.g.* Glezen & Alpers (1999) *Clin. Infect. Dis.* 28:219-224).

Administration of protein antigens is a preferred method of treatment for inducing immunity.

25 Administration of antibodies of the invention is another preferred method of treatment. This method of passive immunisation is particularly useful for newborn children or for pregnant women. This method will typically use monoclonal antibodies, which will be humanised or fully human.

The invention also provides a kit comprising primers (*e.g.* PCR primers) for amplifying a template sequence contained within a *Streptococcus* (*e.g.* *S.pyogenes* or *S.agalactiae*) nucleic acid sequence, the
30 kit comprising a first primer and a second primer, wherein the first primer is substantially complementary to said template sequence and the second primer is substantially complementary to a complement of said template sequence, wherein the parts of said primers which have substantial complementarity define the termini of the template sequence to be amplified. The first primer and/or the second primer may include a detectable label (*e.g.* a fluorescent label).

The invention also provides a kit comprising first and second single-stranded oligonucleotides which allow amplification of a *Streptococcus* template nucleic acid sequence contained in a single- or double-stranded nucleic acid (or mixture thereof), wherein: (a) the first oligonucleotide comprises a primer sequence which is substantially complementary to said template nucleic acid sequence; (b) the second oligonucleotide comprises a primer sequence which is substantially complementary to the complement of said template nucleic acid sequence; (c) the first oligonucleotide and/or the second oligonucleotide comprise(s) sequence which is not complementary to said template nucleic acid; and (d) said primer sequences define the termini of the template sequence to be amplified. The non-complementary sequence(s) of feature (c) are preferably upstream of (*i.e.* 5' to) the primer sequences. One or both of these (c) sequences may comprise a restriction site (*e.g.* EP-B-0509612) or a promoter sequence (*e.g.* EP-B-0505012). The first oligonucleotide and/or the second oligonucleotide may include a detectable label (*e.g.* a fluorescent label).

The template sequence may be any part of a genome sequence (*e.g.* SEQ ID 10967). For example, it could be a rRNA gene (*e.g.* Turenne *et al.* (2000) *J. Clin. Microbiol.* 38:513-520; SEQ IDs 12018-12024 herein) or a protein-coding gene. The template sequence is preferably specific to GBS.

The invention also provides a computer-readable medium (*e.g.* a floppy disk, a hard disk, a CD-ROM, a DVD *etc.*) and/or a computer database containing one or more of the sequences in the sequence listing. The medium preferably contains SEQ ID 10967.

The invention also provides a hybrid protein represented by the formula $\text{NH}_2\text{-A-}[-\text{X-L-}]_n\text{-B-COOH}$, wherein X is a protein of the invention, L is an optional linker amino acid sequence, A is an optional N-terminal amino acid sequence, B is an optional C-terminal amino acid sequence, and n is an integer greater than 1. The value of n is between 2 and x , and the value of x is typically 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 or 10. Preferably n is 2, 3 or 4; it is more preferably 2 or 3; most preferably, $n = 2$. For each n instances, -X- may be the same or different. For each n instances of $[-\text{X-L-}]$, linker amino acid sequence -L- may be present or absent. For instance, when $n=2$ the hybrid may be $\text{NH}_2\text{-X}_1\text{-L}_1\text{-X}_2\text{-L}_2\text{-COOH}$, $\text{NH}_2\text{-X}_1\text{-X}_2\text{-COOH}$, $\text{NH}_2\text{-X}_1\text{-L}_1\text{-X}_2\text{-COOH}$, $\text{NH}_2\text{-X}_1\text{-X}_2\text{-L}_2\text{-COOH}$, *etc.* Linker amino acid sequence(s) -L- will typically be short (*e.g.* 20 or fewer amino acids *i.e.* 19, 18, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1). Examples include short peptide sequences which facilitate cloning, poly-glycine linkers (*i.e.* Gly_n where $n = 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10$ or more), and histidine tags (*i.e.* His_n where $n = 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10$ or more). Other suitable linker amino acid sequences will be apparent to those skilled in the art. -A- and -B- are optional sequences which will typically be short (*e.g.* 40 or fewer amino acids *i.e.* 39, 38, 37, 36, 35, 34, 33, 32, 31, 30, 29, 28, 27, 26, 25, 24, 23, 22, 21, 20, 19, 18, 17, 16, 15, 14, 13, 12, 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1). Examples include leader sequences to direct protein trafficking, or short peptide sequences which facilitate cloning or purification (*e.g.* histidine tags *i.e.* His_n where $n = 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10$ or more). Other suitable N-terminal and C-terminal amino acid sequences will be apparent to those

skilled in the art. In some embodiments, each X will be a GBS sequence; in others, mixtures of GAS and GBS will be used.

According to further aspects, the invention provides various processes.

5 A process for producing proteins of the invention is provided, comprising the step of culturing a host cell of to the invention under conditions which induce protein expression.

A process for producing protein or nucleic acid of the invention is provided, wherein the protein or nucleic acid is synthesised in part or in whole using chemical means.

10 A process for detecting polynucleotides of the invention is provided, comprising the steps of: (a) contacting a nucleic probe according to the invention with a biological sample under hybridising conditions to form duplexes; and (b) detecting said duplexes.

A process for detecting *Streptococcus* in a biological sample (e.g. blood) is also provided, comprising the step of contacting nucleic acid according to the invention with the biological sample under hybridising conditions. The process may involve nucleic acid amplification (e.g. PCR, SDA, SSSR, LCR, TMA, NASBA etc.) or hybridisation (e.g. microarrays, blots, hybridisation with a probe in
15 solution etc.). PCR detection of *Streptococcus* in clinical samples, in particular *S.pyogenes*, has been reported [see e.g. Louie et al. (2000) *CMAJ* 163:301-309; Louie et al. (1998) *J. Clin. Microbiol.* 36:1769-1771]. Clinical assays based on nucleic acid are described in general in Tang et al. (1997) *Clin. Chem.* 43:2021-2038.

20 A process for detecting proteins of the invention is provided, comprising the steps of: (a) contacting an antibody of the invention with a biological sample under conditions suitable for the formation of an antibody-antigen complexes; and (b) detecting said complexes.

A process for identifying an amino acid sequence is provided, comprising the step of searching for putative open reading frames or protein-coding regions within a genome sequence of *S.agalactiae*. This will typically involve *in silico* searching the sequence for an initiation codon and for an in-frame
25 termination codon in the downstream sequence. The region between these initiation and termination codons is a putative protein-coding sequence. Typically, all six possible reading frames will be searched. Suitable software for such analysis includes ORFFINDER (NCBI), GENEMARK [Borodovsky & McIninch (1993) *Computers Chem.* 17:122-133], GLIMMER [Salzberg et al. (1998) *Nucleic Acids Res.* 26:544-548; Salzberg et al. (1999) *Genomics* 59:24-31; Delcher et al. (1999) *Nucleic Acids Res.* 27:4636-
30 4641], or other software which uses Markov models [e.g. Shmatkov et al. (1999) *Bioinformatics* 15:874-876]. The invention also provides a protein comprising the identified amino acid sequence. These proteins can then expressed using conventional techniques.

35 The invention also provides a process for determining whether a test compound binds to a protein of the invention. If a test compound binds to a protein of the invention and this binding inhibits the life cycle of the GBS bacterium, then the test compound can be used as an antibiotic or as a lead compound for the

design of antibiotics. The process will typically comprise the steps of contacting a test compound with a protein of the invention, and determining whether the test compound binds to said protein. Preferred proteins of the invention for use in these processes are enzymes (e.g. tRNA synthetases), membrane transporters and ribosomal proteins. Suitable test compounds include proteins, polypeptides, carbohydrates, lipids, nucleic acids (e.g. DNA, RNA, and modified forms thereof), as well as small organic compounds (e.g. MW between 200 and 2000 Da). The test compounds may be provided individually, but will typically be part of a library (e.g. a combinatorial library). Methods for detecting a binding interaction include NMR, filter-binding assays, gel-retardation assays, displacement assays, surface plasmon resonance, reverse two-hybrid *etc.* A compound which binds to a protein of the invention can be tested for antibiotic activity by contacting the compound with GBS bacteria and then monitoring for inhibition of growth. The invention also provides a compound identified using these methods.

The invention also provides a composition comprising a protein of the invention and one or more of the following antigens:

- 15 – a protein antigen from *Helicobacter pylori* such as VacA, CagA, NAP, HopX, HopY [e.g. WO98/04702] and/or urease.
- a protein antigen from *N.meningitidis* serogroup B, such as those in WO99/24578, WO99/36544, WO99/57280, WO00/22430, Tettelin *et al.* (2000) *Science* 287:1809-1815, Pizza *et al.* (2000) *Science* 287:1816-1820 and WO96/29412, with protein '287' and derivatives being particularly preferred.
- 20 – an outer-membrane vesicle (OMV) preparation from *N.meningitidis* serogroup B, such as those disclosed in WO01/52885; Bjune *et al.* (1991) *Lancet* 338(8775):1093-1096; Fukasawa *et al.* (1999) *Vaccine* 17:2951-2958; Rosenqvist *et al.* (1998) *Dev. Biol. Stand.* 92:323-333 *etc.*
- a saccharide antigen from *N.meningitidis* serogroup A, C, W135 and/or Y, such as the oligosaccharide disclosed in Costantino *et al.* (1992) *Vaccine* 10:691-698 from serogroup C [see also Costantino *et al.* (1999) *Vaccine* 17:1251-1263].
- 25 – a saccharide antigen from *Streptococcus pneumoniae* [e.g. Watson (2000) *Pediatr Infect Dis J* 19:331-332; Rubin (2000) *Pediatr Clin North Am* 47:269-285, v; Jedrzejewski (2001) *Microbiol Mol Biol Rev* 65:187-207].
- 30 – an antigen from hepatitis A virus, such as inactivated virus [e.g. Bell (2000) *Pediatr Infect Dis J* 19:1187-1188; Iwarson (1995) *APMIS* 103:321-326].
- an antigen from hepatitis B virus, such as the surface and/or core antigens [e.g. Gerlich *et al.* (1990) *Vaccine* 8 Suppl:S63-68 & 79-80].
- an antigen from hepatitis C virus [e.g. Hsu *et al.* (1999) *Clin Liver Dis* 3:901-915].
- 35 – an antigen from *Bordetella pertussis*, such as pertussis holotoxin (PT) and filamentous haemagglutinin (FHA) from *B.pertussis*, optionally also in combination with pertactin and/or

agglutinogens 2 and 3 [e.g. Gustafsson *et al.* (1996) *N. Engl. J. Med.* 334:349-355; Rappuoli *et al.* (1991) *TIBTECH* 9:232-238].

- a diphtheria antigen, such as a diphtheria toxoid [e.g. chapter 3 of *Vaccines* (1988) eds. Plotkin & Mortimer. ISBN 0-7216-1946-0] e.g. the CRM₁₉₇ mutant [e.g. Del Giudice *et al.* (1998) *Molecular Aspects of Medicine* 19:1-70].
- a tetanus antigen, such as a tetanus toxoid [e.g. chapter 4 of Plotkin & Mortimer].
- a saccharide antigen from *Haemophilus influenzae* B.
- an antigen from *N.gonorrhoeae* [e.g. WO99/24578, WO99/36544, WO99/57280].
- an antigen from *Chlamydia pneumoniae* [e.g. PCT/IB01/01445; Kalman *et al.* (1999) *Nature Genetics* 21:385-389; Read *et al.* (2000) *Nucleic Acids Res* 28:1397-406; Shirai *et al.* (2000) *J. Infect. Dis.* 181(Suppl 3):S524-S527; WO99/27105; WO00/27994; WO00/37494].
- an antigen from *Chlamydia trachomatis* [e.g. WO99/28475].
- an antigen from *Porphyromonas gingivalis* [e.g. Ross *et al.* (2001) *Vaccine* 19:4135-4142].
- polio antigen(s) [e.g. Sutter *et al.* (2000) *Pediatr Clin North Am* 47:287-308; Zimmerman & Spann (1999) *Am Fam Physician* 59:113-118, 125-126] such as IPV or OPV.
- rabies antigen(s) [e.g. Dreesen (1997) *Vaccine* 15 Suppl:S2-6] such as lyophilised inactivated virus [e.g. *MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep* 1998 Jan 16;47(1):12, 19; RabAvert™].
- measles, mumps and/or rubella antigens [e.g. chapters 9, 10 & 11 of Plotkin & Mortimer].
- influenza antigen(s) [e.g. chapter 19 of Plotkin & Mortimer], such as the haemagglutinin and/or neuraminidase surface proteins.
- an antigen from *Moraxella catarrhalis* [e.g. McMichael (2000) *Vaccine* 19 Suppl 1:S101-107].
- an antigen from *Staphylococcus aureus* [e.g. Kuroda *et al.* (2001) *Lancet* 357(9264):1225-1240; see also pages 1218-1219].

Where a saccharide or carbohydrate antigen is included, it is preferably conjugated to a carrier protein in order to enhance immunogenicity [e.g. Ramsay *et al.* (2001) *Lancet* 357(9251):195-196; Lindberg (1999) *Vaccine* 17 Suppl 2:S28-36; *Conjugate Vaccines* (eds. Cruse *et al.*) ISBN 3805549326, particularly vol. 10:48-114 *etc.*]. Preferred carrier proteins are bacterial toxins or toxoids, such as diphtheria or tetanus toxoids. The CRM₁₉₇ diphtheria toxoid is particularly preferred. Other suitable carrier proteins include the *N.meningitidis* outer membrane protein [e.g. EP-0372501], synthetic peptides [e.g. EP-0378881, EP-0427347], heat shock proteins [e.g. WO93/17712], pertussis proteins [e.g. WO98/58668; EP-0471177], protein D from *H.influenzae* [e.g. WO00/56360], toxin A or B from *C.difficile* [e.g. WO00/61761], *etc.* Any suitable conjugation reaction can be used, with any suitable linker where necessary.

Toxic protein antigens may be detoxified where necessary (e.g. detoxification of pertussis toxin by chemical and/or genetic means).

Where a diphtheria antigen is included in the composition it is preferred also to include tetanus antigen and pertussis antigens. Similarly, where a tetanus antigen is included it is preferred also to include diphtheria and pertussis antigens. Similarly, where a pertussis antigen is included it is preferred also to include diphtheria and tetanus antigens.

- 5 Antigens are preferably adsorbed to an aluminium salt.

Antigens in the composition will typically be present at a concentration of at least 1µg/ml each. In general, the concentration of any given antigen will be sufficient to elicit an immune response against that antigen.

The invention also provides compositions comprising two or more proteins of the present invention.

- 10 The two or more proteins may comprise GBS sequences or may comprise GAS and GBS sequences.

A summary of standard techniques and procedures which may be employed to perform the invention (e.g. to utilise the disclosed sequences for vaccination or diagnostic purposes) follows. This summary is not a limitation on the invention but, rather, gives examples that may be used, but are not required.

General

- 15 The practice of the present invention will employ, unless otherwise indicated, conventional techniques of molecular biology, microbiology, recombinant DNA, and immunology, which are within the skill of the art. Such techniques are explained fully in the literature eg. Sambrook *Molecular Cloning; A Laboratory Manual, Second Edition* (1989); *DNA Cloning, Volumes I and II* (D.N Glover ed. 1985); *Oligonucleotide Synthesis* (M.J. Gait ed, 1984); *Nucleic Acid Hybridization* (B.D. Hames & S.J. Higgins eds. 1984); *Transcription and Translation* (B.D. Hames & S.J. Higgins eds. 1984); *Animal Cell Culture* (R.I. Freshney ed. 1986); *Immobilized Cells and Enzymes* (IRL Press, 1986); B. Perbal, *A Practical Guide to Molecular Cloning* (1984); the *Methods in Enzymology* series (Academic Press, Inc.), especially volumes 154 & 155; *Gene Transfer Vectors for Mammalian Cells* (J.H. Miller and M.P. Calos eds. 1987, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory); Mayer and Walker, eds. (1987), *Immunochemical*
- 20 *Methods in Cell and Molecular Biology* (Academic Press, London); Scopes, (1987) *Protein Purification: Principles and Practice*, Second Edition (Springer-Verlag, N.Y.), and *Handbook of Experimental Immunology, Volumes I-IV* (D.M. Weir and C. C. Blackwell eds 1986).
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Standard abbreviations for nucleotides and amino acids are used in this specification.

Definitions

- 30 A composition containing X is "substantially free of" Y when at least 85% by weight of the total X+Y in the composition is X. Preferably, X comprises at least about 90% by weight of the total of X+Y in the composition, more preferably at least about 95% or even 99% by weight.

The term "comprising" means "including" as well as "consisting" e.g. a composition "comprising" X may consist exclusively of X or may include something additional e.g. X + Y.

- 35 The term "heterologous" refers to two biological components that are not found together in nature. The components may be host cells, genes, or regulatory regions, such as promoters. Although the heterologous components are not found together in nature, they can function together, as when a promoter heterologous to a gene is operably linked to the gene. Another example is where a streptococcus sequence is heterologous to a mouse host cell. A further examples would be two epitopes from the same or different proteins which have been assembled in a single protein in an arrangement not found in nature

An "origin of replication" is a polynucleotide sequence that initiates and regulates replication of polynucleotides, such as an expression vector. The origin of replication behaves as an autonomous unit of polynucleotide replication within a cell, capable of replication under its own control. An origin of replication may be needed for a vector to replicate in a particular host cell. With certain origins of replication, an expression vector can be reproduced at a high copy number in the presence of the appropriate proteins within the cell. Examples of origins are the autonomously replicating sequences, which are effective in yeast; and the viral T-antigen, effective in COS-7 cells.

A "mutant" sequence is defined as DNA, RNA or amino acid sequence differing from but having sequence identity with the native or disclosed sequence. Depending on the particular sequence, the degree of sequence identity between the native or disclosed sequence and the mutant sequence is preferably greater than 50% (eg. 60%, 70%, 80%, 90%, 95%, 99% or more, calculated using the Smith-Waterman algorithm as described above). As used herein, an "allelic variant" of a nucleic acid molecule, or region, for which nucleic acid sequence is provided herein is a nucleic acid molecule, or region, that occurs essentially at the same locus in the genome of another or second isolate, and that, due to natural variation caused by, for example, mutation or recombination, has a similar but not identical nucleic acid sequence. A coding region allelic variant typically encodes a protein having similar activity to that of the protein encoded by the gene to which it is being compared. An allelic variant can also comprise an alteration in the 5' or 3' untranslated regions of the gene, such as in regulatory control regions (eg. see US patent 5,753,235).

Expression systems

The streptococcus nucleotide sequences can be expressed in a variety of different expression systems; for example those used with mammalian cells, baculoviruses, plants, bacteria, and yeast.

i. Mammalian Systems

Mammalian expression systems are known in the art. A mammalian promoter is any DNA sequence capable of binding mammalian RNA polymerase and initiating the downstream (3') transcription of a coding sequence (eg. structural gene) into mRNA. A promoter will have a transcription initiating region, which is usually placed proximal to the 5' end of the coding sequence, and a TATA box, usually located 25-30 base pairs (bp) upstream of the transcription initiation site. The TATA box is thought to direct RNA polymerase II to begin RNA synthesis at the correct site. A mammalian promoter will also contain an upstream promoter element, usually located within 100 to 200 bp upstream of the TATA box. An upstream promoter element determines the rate at which transcription is initiated and can act in either orientation [Sambrook et al. (1989) "Expression of Cloned Genes in Mammalian Cells." In *Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual*, 2nd ed.].

Mammalian viral genes are often highly expressed and have a broad host range; therefore sequences encoding mammalian viral genes provide particularly useful promoter sequences. Examples include the SV40 early promoter, mouse mammary tumor virus LTR promoter, adenovirus major late promoter (Ad MLP), and herpes simplex virus promoter. In addition, sequences derived from non-viral genes, such as the murine metallothionein gene, also provide useful promoter sequences. Expression may be either constitutive or regulated (inducible), depending on the promoter can be induced with glucocorticoid in hormone-responsive cells.

The presence of an enhancer element (enhancer), combined with the promoter elements described above, will usually increase expression levels. An enhancer is a regulatory DNA sequence that can stimulate transcription up to 1000-fold when linked to homologous or heterologous promoters, with synthesis beginning at the normal RNA start site. Enhancers are also active when they are placed upstream or downstream from the transcription initiation site, in either normal or flipped orientation, or at a distance of more than 1000 nucleotides from the promoter [Maniatis et al. (1987) *Science* 236:1237; Alberts et al. (1989) *Molecular Biology of the Cell*, 2nd ed.]. Enhancer elements derived from viruses may be particularly useful, because they usually have a broader host range. Examples include the SV40 early gene enhancer [Dijkema et al (1985) *EMBO J.* 4:761] and the enhancer/promoters derived from the long terminal repeat (LTR) of the Rous Sarcoma Virus [Gorman et al. (1982b) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.* 79:6777] and from human cytomegalovirus [Boshart et al. (1985) *Cell* 41:521]. Additionally, some enhancers are regulatable and become active only in the presence of an inducer, such as a hormone or metal ion [Sassone-Corsi and Borelli (1986) *Trends Genet.* 2:215; Maniatis et al. (1987) *Science* 236:1237].

A DNA molecule may be expressed intracellularly in mammalian cells. A promoter sequence may be directly linked with the DNA molecule, in which case the first amino acid at the N-terminus of the recombinant protein will always be a methionine, which is encoded by the ATG start codon. If desired, the N-terminus may be cleaved from the protein by *in vitro* incubation with cyanogen bromide.

Alternatively, foreign proteins can also be secreted from the cell into the growth media by creating chimeric DNA molecules that encode a fusion protein comprised of a leader sequence fragment that provides for secretion of the foreign protein in mammalian

cells. Preferably, there are processing sites encoded between the leader fragment and the foreign gene that can be cleaved either *in vivo* or *in vitro*. The leader sequence fragment usually encodes a signal peptide comprised of hydrophobic amino acids which direct the secretion of the protein from the cell. The adenovirus tripartite leader is an example of a leader sequence that provides for secretion of a foreign protein in mammalian cells.

- 5 Usually, transcription termination and polyadenylation sequences recognized by mammalian cells are regulatory regions located 3' to the translation stop codon and thus, together with the promoter elements, flank the coding sequence. The 3' terminus of the mature mRNA is formed by site-specific post-transcriptional cleavage and polyadenylation [Birnstiel et al. (1985) *Cell* 41:349; Proudfoot and Whitelaw (1988) "Termination and 3' end processing of eukaryotic RNA. In *Transcription and splicing* (ed. B.D. Hames and D.M. Glover); Proudfoot (1989) *Trends Biochem. Sci.* 14:105]. These sequences direct the transcription of an mRNA which can be translated into the polypeptide encoded by the DNA. Examples of transcription terminator/polyadenylation signals include those derived from SV40 [Sambrook et al (1989) "Expression of cloned genes in cultured mammalian cells." In *Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual*].

- 15 Usually, the above described components, comprising a promoter, polyadenylation signal, and transcription termination sequence are put together into expression constructs. Enhancers, introns with functional splice donor and acceptor sites, and leader sequences may also be included in an expression construct, if desired. Expression constructs are often maintained in a replicon, such as an extrachromosomal element (eg. plasmids) capable of stable maintenance in a host, such as mammalian cells or bacteria. Mammalian replication systems include those derived from animal viruses, which require trans-acting factors to replicate. For example, plasmids containing the replication systems of papovaviruses, such as SV40 [Gluzman (1981) *Cell* 23:175] or polyomavirus, replicate to extremely high copy number in the presence of the appropriate viral T antigen. Additional examples of mammalian replicons include those derived from bovine papillomavirus and Epstein-Barr virus. Additionally, the replicon may have two replication systems, thus allowing it to be maintained, for example, in mammalian cells for expression and in a prokaryotic host for cloning and amplification. Examples of such mammalian-bacteria shuttle vectors include pMT2 [Kaufman et al. (1989) *Mol. Cell. Biol.* 9:946] and pHEBO [Shimizu et al. (1986) *Mol. Cell. Biol.* 6:1074].

- 25 The transformation procedure used depends upon the host to be transformed. Methods for introduction of heterologous polynucleotides into mammalian cells are known in the art and include dextran-mediated transfection, calcium phosphate precipitation, polybrene mediated transfection, protoplast fusion, electroporation, encapsulation of the polynucleotide(s) in liposomes, and direct microinjection of the DNA into nuclei.

- Mammalian cell lines available as hosts for expression are known in the art and include many immortalized cell lines available from the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC), including but not limited to, Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) cells, HeLa cells, baby hamster kidney (BHK) cells, monkey kidney cells (COS), human hepatocellular carcinoma cells (eg. Hep G2), and a number of other cell lines.

ii. Baculovirus Systems

- 35 The polynucleotide encoding the protein can also be inserted into a suitable insect expression vector, and is operably linked to the control elements within that vector. Vector construction employs techniques which are known in the art. Generally, the components of the expression system include a transfer vector, usually a bacterial plasmid, which contains both a fragment of the baculovirus genome, and a convenient restriction site for insertion of the heterologous gene or genes to be expressed; a wild type baculovirus with a sequence homologous to the baculovirus-specific fragment in the transfer vector (this allows for the homologous recombination of the heterologous gene in to the baculovirus genome); and appropriate insect host cells and growth media.

- 40 After inserting the DNA sequence encoding the protein into the transfer vector, the vector and the wild type viral genome are transfected into an insect host cell where the vector and viral genome are allowed to recombine. The packaged recombinant virus is expressed and recombinant plaques are identified and purified. Materials and methods for baculovirus/insect cell expression systems are commercially available in kit form from, *inter alia*, Invitrogen, San Diego CA ("MaxBac" kit). These techniques are generally known to those skilled in the art and fully described in Summers and Smith, *Texas Agricultural Experiment Station Bulletin No. 1555* (1987) (hereinafter "Summers and Smith").

- 45 Prior to inserting the DNA sequence encoding the protein into the baculovirus genome, the above described components, comprising a promoter, leader (if desired), coding sequence, and transcription termination sequence, are usually assembled into an intermediate transplacement construct (transfer vector). This may contain a single gene and operably linked regulatory elements; multiple genes, each with its own set of operably linked regulatory elements; or multiple genes, regulated by the same set of regulatory elements. Intermediate transplacement constructs are often maintained in a replicon, such as an extra-chromosomal

element (e.g. plasmids) capable of stable maintenance in a host, such as a bacterium. The replicon will have a replication system, thus allowing it to be maintained in a suitable host for cloning and amplification.

Currently, the most commonly used transfer vector for introducing foreign genes into AcNPV is pAc373. Many other vectors, known to those of skill in the art, have also been designed. These include, for example, pVL985 (which alters the polyhedrin start codon from ATG to ATT, and which introduces a BamHI cloning site 32 basepairs downstream from the ATT; see Luckow and Summers, *Virology* (1989) 17:31.

The plasmid usually also contains the polyhedrin polyadenylation signal (Miller et al. (1988) *Ann. Rev. Microbiol.*, 42:177) and a prokaryotic ampicillin-resistance (*amp*) gene and origin of replication for selection and propagation in *E.coli*.

Baculovirus transfer vectors usually contain a baculovirus promoter. A baculovirus promoter is any DNA sequence capable of binding a baculovirus RNA polymerase and initiating the downstream (5' to 3') transcription of a coding sequence (eg. structural gene) into mRNA. A promoter will have a transcription initiation region which is usually placed proximal to the 5' end of the coding sequence. This transcription initiation region usually includes an RNA polymerase binding site and a transcription initiation site. A baculovirus transfer vector may also have a second domain called an enhancer, which, if present, is usually distal to the structural gene. Expression may be either regulated or constitutive.

Structural genes, abundantly transcribed at late times in a viral infection cycle, provide particularly useful promoter sequences. Examples include sequences derived from the gene encoding the viral polyhedron protein, Friesen et al., (1986) "The Regulation of Baculovirus Gene Expression," in: *The Molecular Biology of Baculoviruses* (ed. Walter Doerfler); EPO Publ. Nos. 127 839 and 155 476; and the gene encoding the p10 protein, Vlcek et al., (1988), *J. Gen. Virol.* 69:765.

DNA encoding suitable signal sequences can be derived from genes for secreted insect or baculovirus proteins, such as the baculovirus polyhedrin gene (Carbonell et al. (1988) *Gene*, 73:409). Alternatively, since the signals for mammalian cell posttranslational modifications (such as signal peptide cleavage, proteolytic cleavage, and phosphorylation) appear to be recognized by insect cells, and the signals required for secretion and nuclear accumulation also appear to be conserved between the invertebrate cells and vertebrate cells, leaders of non-insect origin, such as those derived from genes encoding human α -interferon, Maeda et al., (1985), *Nature* 315:592; human gastrin-releasing peptide, Lebacqz-Verheyden et al., (1988), *Molec. Cell. Biol.* 8:3129; human IL-2, Smith et al., (1985) *Proc. Nat'l Acad. Sci. USA*, 82:8404; mouse IL-3, Miyajima et al., (1987) *Gene* 58:273; and human glucocerebrosidase, Martin et al. (1988) *DNA*, 7:99, can also be used to provide for secretion in insects.

A recombinant polypeptide or polyprotein may be expressed intracellularly or, if it is expressed with the proper regulatory sequences, it can be secreted. Good intracellular expression of nonfused foreign proteins usually requires heterologous genes that ideally have a short leader sequence containing suitable translation initiation signals preceding an ATG start signal. If desired, methionine at the N-terminus may be cleaved from the mature protein by *in vitro* incubation with cyanogen bromide.

Alternatively, recombinant polyproteins or proteins which are not naturally secreted can be secreted from the insect cell by creating chimeric DNA molecules that encode a fusion protein comprised of a leader sequence fragment that provides for secretion of the foreign protein in insects. The leader sequence fragment usually encodes a signal peptide comprised of hydrophobic amino acids which direct the translocation of the protein into the endoplasmic reticulum.

After insertion of the DNA sequence and/or the gene encoding the expression product precursor of the protein, an insect cell host is co-transformed with the heterologous DNA of the transfer vector and the genomic DNA of wild type baculovirus -- usually by co-transfection. The promoter and transcription termination sequence of the construct will usually comprise a 2-5kb section of the baculovirus genome. Methods for introducing heterologous DNA into the desired site in the baculovirus virus are known in the art. (See Summers and Smith *supra*; Ju et al. (1987); Smith et al., *Mol. Cell. Biol.* (1983) 3:2156; and Luckow and Summers (1989)). For example, the insertion can be into a gene such as the polyhedrin gene, by homologous double crossover recombination; insertion can also be into a restriction enzyme site engineered into the desired baculovirus gene. Miller et al., (1989), *Bioessays* 4:91. The DNA sequence, when cloned in place of the polyhedrin gene in the expression vector, is flanked both 5' and 3' by polyhedrin-specific sequences and is positioned downstream of the polyhedrin promoter.

The newly formed baculovirus expression vector is subsequently packaged into an infectious recombinant baculovirus. Homologous recombination occurs at low frequency (between about 1% and about 5%); thus, the majority of the virus produced after cotransfection is still wild-type virus. Therefore, a method is necessary to identify recombinant viruses. An advantage of the expression system is a visual screen allowing recombinant viruses to be distinguished. The polyhedrin protein, which is produced by the native virus, is produced at very high levels in the nuclei of infected cells at late times after viral infection. Accumulated polyhedrin protein forms occlusion bodies that also contain embedded particles. These occlusion bodies, up to 15 μ m in size, are

highly refractile, giving them a bright shiny appearance that is readily visualized under the light microscope. Cells infected with recombinant viruses lack occlusion bodies. To distinguish recombinant virus from wild-type virus, the transfection supernatant is plaqued onto a monolayer of insect cells by techniques known to those skilled in the art. Namely, the plaques are screened under the light microscope for the presence (indicative of wild-type virus) or absence (indicative of recombinant virus) of occlusion bodies. "Current Protocols in Microbiology" Vol. 2 (Ausubel et al. eds) at 16.8 (Supp. 10, 1990); Summers and Smith, *supra*; Miller et al. (1989).

Recombinant baculovirus expression vectors have been developed for infection into several insect cells. For example, recombinant baculoviruses have been developed for, *inter alia*: *Aedes aegypti*, *Autographa californica*, *Bombyx mori*, *Drosophila melanogaster*, *Spodoptera frugiperda*, and *Trichoplusia ni* (WO 89/046699; Carbonell et al., (1985) *J. Virol.* 56:153; Wright (1986) *Nature* 321:718; Smith et al., (1983) *Mol. Cell. Biol.* 3:2156; and see generally, Fraser, et al. (1989) *In Vitro Cell. Dev. Biol.* 25:225).

Cells and cell culture media are commercially available for both direct and fusion expression of heterologous polypeptides in a baculovirus/expression system; cell culture technology is generally known to those skilled in the art. See, eg. Summers and Smith *supra*.

The modified insect cells may then be grown in an appropriate nutrient medium, which allows for stable maintenance of the plasmid(s) present in the modified insect host. Where the expression product gene is under inducible control, the host may be grown to high density, and expression induced. Alternatively, where expression is constitutive, the product will be continuously expressed into the medium and the nutrient medium must be continuously circulated, while removing the product of interest and augmenting depleted nutrients. The product may be purified by such techniques as chromatography, eg. HPLC, affinity chromatography, ion exchange chromatography, etc.; electrophoresis; density gradient centrifugation; solvent extraction, etc. As appropriate, the product may be further purified, as required, so as to remove substantially any insect proteins which are also present in the medium, so as to provide a product which is at least substantially free of host debris, eg. proteins, lipids and polysaccharides.

In order to obtain protein expression, recombinant host cells derived from the transformants are incubated under conditions which allow expression of the recombinant protein encoding sequence. These conditions will vary, dependent upon the host cell selected. However, the conditions are readily ascertainable to those of ordinary skill in the art, based upon what is known in the art.

iii. Plant Systems

There are many plant cell culture and whole plant genetic expression systems known in the art. Exemplary plant cellular genetic expression systems include those described in patents, such as: US 5,693,506; US 5,659,122; and US 5,608,143. Additional examples of genetic expression in plant cell culture has been described by Zenk, *Phytochemistry* 30:3861-3863 (1991). Descriptions of plant protein signal peptides may be found in addition to the references described above in Vaulcombe et al., *Mol. Gen. Genet.* 209:33-40 (1987); Chandler et al., *Plant Molecular Biology* 3:407-418 (1984); Rogers, *J. Biol. Chem.* 260:3731-3738 (1985); Rothstein et al., *Gene* 55:353-356 (1987); Whittier et al., *Nucleic Acids Research* 15:2515-2535 (1987); Wirsal et al., *Molecular Microbiology* 3:3-14 (1989); Yu et al., *Gene* 122:247-253 (1992). A description of the regulation of plant gene expression by the phytohormone, gibberellic acid and secreted enzymes induced by gibberellic acid can be found in R.L. Jones and J. MacMillin, Gibberellins: in: *Advanced Plant Physiology*, Malcolm B. Wilkins, ed., 1984 Pitman Publishing Limited, London, pp. 21-52. References that describe other metabolically-regulated genes: Sheen, *Plant Cell*, 2:1027-1038(1990); Maas et al., *EMBO J.* 9:3447-3452 (1990); Benkel and Hickey, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.* 84:1337-1339 (1987).

Typically, using techniques known in the art, a desired polynucleotide sequence is inserted into an expression cassette comprising genetic regulatory elements designed for operation in plants. The expression cassette is inserted into a desired expression vector with companion sequences upstream and downstream from the expression cassette suitable for expression in a plant host. The companion sequences will be of plasmid or viral origin and provide necessary characteristics to the vector to permit the vectors to move DNA from an original cloning host, such as bacteria, to the desired plant host. The basic bacterial/plant vector construct will preferably provide a broad host range prokaryote replication origin; a prokaryote selectable marker; and, for *Agrobacterium* transformations, T DNA sequences for *Agrobacterium*-mediated transfer to plant chromosomes. Where the heterologous gene is not readily amenable to detection, the construct will preferably also have a selectable marker gene suitable for determining if a plant cell has been transformed. A general review of suitable markers, for example for the members of the grass family, is found in Wilink and Dons, 1993, *Plant Mol. Biol. Rept.* 11(2):165-185.

Sequences suitable for permitting integration of the heterologous sequence into the plant genome are also recommended. These might include transposon sequences and the like for homologous recombination as well as 'Ti' sequences which permit random insertion of a heterologous expression cassette into a plant genome. Suitable prokaryote selectable markers include resistance toward antibiotics such as ampicillin or tetracycline. Other DNA sequences encoding additional functions may also be present in the vector, as is known in the art.

The nucleic acid molecules of the subject invention may be included into an expression cassette for expression of the protein(s) of interest. Usually, there will be only one expression cassette, although two or more are feasible. The recombinant expression cassette will contain in addition to the heterologous protein encoding sequence the following elements, a promoter region, plant 5' untranslated sequences, initiation codon depending upon whether or not the structural gene comes equipped with one, and a transcription and translation termination sequence. Unique restriction enzyme sites at the 5' and 3' ends of the cassette allow for easy insertion into a pre-existing vector.

A heterologous coding sequence may be for any protein relating to the present invention. The sequence encoding the protein of interest will encode a signal peptide which allows processing and translocation of the protein, as appropriate, and will usually lack any sequence which might result in the binding of the desired protein of the invention to a membrane. Since, for the most part, the transcriptional initiation region will be for a gene which is expressed and translocated during germination, by employing the signal peptide which provides for translocation, one may also provide for translocation of the protein of interest. In this way, the protein(s) of interest will be translocated from the cells in which they are expressed and may be efficiently harvested. Typically secretion in seeds are across the aleurone or scutellar epithelium layer into the endosperm of the seed. While it is not required that the protein be secreted from the cells in which the protein is produced, this facilitates the isolation and purification of the recombinant protein.

Since the ultimate expression of the desired gene product will be in a eucaryotic cell it is desirable to determine whether any portion of the cloned gene contains sequences which will be processed out as introns by the host's spliceosome machinery. If so, site-directed mutagenesis of the "intron" region may be conducted to prevent losing a portion of the genetic message as a false intron code, Reed and Maniatis, *Cell* 41:95-105, 1985.

The vector can be microinjected directly into plant cells by use of micropipettes to mechanically transfer the recombinant DNA. Crossway, *Mol. Gen. Genet.*, 202:179-185, 1985. The genetic material may also be transferred into the plant cell by using polyethylene glycol, Krens, et al., *Nature*, 296, 72-74, 1982. Another method of introduction of nucleic acid segments is high velocity ballistic penetration by small particles with the nucleic acid either within the matrix of small beads or particles, or on the surface, Klein, et al., *Nature*, 327, 70-73, 1987 and Knudsen and Muller, 1991, *Planta*, 185:330-336 teaching particle bombardment of barley endosperm to create transgenic barley. Yet another method of introduction would be fusion of protoplasts with other entities, either minicells, cells, lysosomes or other fusible lipid-surfaced bodies, Fraley, et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 79, 1859-1863, 1982.

The vector may also be introduced into the plant cells by electroporation. (Fromm et al., *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 82:5824, 1985). In this technique, plant protoplasts are electroporated in the presence of plasmids containing the gene construct. Electrical impulses of high field strength reversibly permeabilize biomembranes allowing the introduction of the plasmids. Electroporated plant protoplasts reform the cell wall, divide, and form plant callus.

All plants from which protoplasts can be isolated and cultured to give whole regenerated plants can be transformed by the present invention so that whole plants are recovered which contain the transferred gene. It is known that practically all plants can be regenerated from cultured cells or tissues, including but not limited to all major species of sugarcane, sugar beet, cotton, fruit and other trees, legumes and vegetables. Some suitable plants include, for example, species from the genera *Fragaria*, *Lotus*, *Medicago*, *Onobrychis*, *Trifolium*, *Trigonella*, *Vigna*, *Citrus*, *Linum*, *Geranium*, *Manihot*, *Daucus*, *Arabidopsis*, *Brassica*, *Raphanus*, *Sinapis*, *Atropa*, *Capsicum*, *Datura*, *Hyoscyamus*, *Lycopersion*, *Nicotiana*, *Solanum*, *Petunia*, *Digitalis*, *Majorana*, *Cichorium*, *Helianthus*, *Lactuca*, *Bromus*, *Asparagus*, *Antirrhinum*, *Hererocallis*, *Nemesia*, *Pelargonium*, *Panicum*, *Pennisetum*, *Ranunculus*, *Senecio*, *Salpiglossis*, *Cucumis*, *Browaalia*, *Glycine*, *Lolium*, *Zea*, *Triticum*, *Sorghum*, and *Datura*.

Means for regeneration vary from species to species of plants, but generally a suspension of transformed protoplasts containing copies of the heterologous gene is first provided. Callus tissue is formed and shoots may be induced from callus and subsequently rooted. Alternatively, embryo formation can be induced from the protoplast suspension. These embryos germinate as natural embryos to form plants. The culture media will generally contain various amino acids and hormones, such as auxin and cytokinins. It is also advantageous to add glutamic acid and proline to the medium, especially for such species as corn and alfalfa. Shoots and

roots normally develop simultaneously. Efficient regeneration will depend on the medium, on the genotype, and on the history of the culture. If these three variables are controlled, then regeneration is fully reproducible and repeatable.

In some plant cell culture systems, the desired protein of the invention may be excreted or alternatively, the protein may be extracted from the whole plant. Where the desired protein of the invention is secreted into the medium, it may be collected. Alternatively, the embryos and embryoless-half seeds or other plant tissue may be mechanically disrupted to release any secreted protein between cells and tissues. The mixture may be suspended in a buffer solution to retrieve soluble proteins. Conventional protein isolation and purification methods will be then used to purify the recombinant protein. Parameters of time, temperature pH, oxygen, and volumes will be adjusted through routine methods to optimize expression and recovery of heterologous protein.

iv. Bacterial Systems

Bacterial expression techniques are known in the art. A bacterial promoter is any DNA sequence capable of binding bacterial RNA polymerase and initiating the downstream (3') transcription of a coding sequence (eg. structural gene) into mRNA. A promoter will have a transcription initiation region which is usually placed proximal to the 5' end of the coding sequence. This transcription initiation region usually includes an RNA polymerase binding site and a transcription initiation site. A bacterial promoter may also have a second domain called an operator, that may overlap an adjacent RNA polymerase binding site at which RNA synthesis begins. The operator permits negative regulated (inducible) transcription, as a gene repressor protein may bind the operator and thereby inhibit transcription of a specific gene. Constitutive expression may occur in the absence of negative regulatory elements, such as the operator. In addition, positive regulation may be achieved by a gene activator protein binding sequence, which, if present is usually proximal (5') to the RNA polymerase binding sequence. An example of a gene activator protein is the catabolite activator protein (CAP), which helps initiate transcription of the lac operon in *Escherichia coli* (*E.coli*) [Raibaud *et al.* (1984) *Annu. Rev. Genet.* 18:173]. Regulated expression may therefore be either positive or negative, thereby either enhancing or reducing transcription.

Sequences encoding metabolic pathway enzymes provide particularly useful promoter sequences. Examples include promoter sequences derived from sugar metabolizing enzymes, such as galactose, lactose (*lac*) [Chang *et al.* (1977) *Nature* 198:1056], and maltose. Additional examples include promoter sequences derived from biosynthetic enzymes such as tryptophan (*trp*) [Goeddel *et al.* (1980) *Nuc. Acids Res.* 8:4057; Yelverton *et al.* (1981) *Nucl. Acids Res.* 9:731; US patent 4,738,921; EP-A-0036776 and EP-A-0121775]. The *g-laotamase* (*bla*) promoter system [Weissmann (1981) "The cloning of interferon and other mistakes." In *Interferon 3* (ed. I. Gresser)], bacteriophage lambda PL [Shimatake *et al.* (1981) *Nature* 292:128] and T5 [US patent 4,689,406] promoter systems also provide useful promoter sequences.

In addition, synthetic promoters which do not occur in nature also function as bacterial promoters. For example, transcription activation sequences of one bacterial or bacteriophage promoter may be joined with the operon sequences of another bacterial or bacteriophage promoter, creating a synthetic hybrid promoter [US patent 4,551,433]. For example, the *tac* promoter is a hybrid *trp-lac* promoter comprised of both *trp* promoter and *lac* operon sequences that is regulated by the *lac* repressor [Amann *et al.* (1983) *Gene* 25:167; de Boer *et al.* (1983) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.* 80:21]. Furthermore, a bacterial promoter can include naturally occurring promoters of non-bacterial origin that have the ability to bind bacterial RNA polymerase and initiate transcription. A naturally occurring promoter of non-bacterial origin can also be coupled with a compatible RNA polymerase to produce high levels of expression of some genes in prokaryotes. The bacteriophage T7 RNA polymerase/promoter system is an example of a coupled promoter system [Studier *et al.* (1986) *J. Mol. Biol.* 189:113; Tabor *et al.* (1985) *Proc Natl. Acad. Sci.* 82:1074]. In addition, a hybrid promoter can also be comprised of a bacteriophage promoter and an *E.coli* operator region (EPO-A-0 267 851).

In addition to a functioning promoter sequence, an efficient ribosome binding site is also useful for the expression of foreign genes in prokaryotes. In *E.coli*, the ribosome binding site is called the Shine-Dalgarno (SD) sequence and includes an initiation codon (ATG) and a sequence 3-9 nucleotides in length located 3-11 nucleotides upstream of the initiation codon [Shine *et al.* (1975) *Nature* 254:34]. The SD sequence is thought to promote binding of mRNA to the ribosome by the pairing of bases between the SD sequence and the 3' end of *E.coli* 16S rRNA [Steitz *et al.* (1979) "Genetic signals and nucleotide sequences in messenger RNA." In *Biological Regulation and Development: Gene Expression* (ed. R.F. Goldberger)]. To express eukaryotic genes and prokaryotic genes with weak ribosome-binding site [Sambrook *et al.* (1989) "Expression of cloned genes in *Escherichia coli*." In *Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual*].

A DNA molecule may be expressed intracellularly. A promoter sequence may be directly linked with the DNA molecule, in which case the first amino acid at the N-terminus will always be a methionine, which is encoded by the ATG start codon. If desired, methionine at the N-terminus may be cleaved from the protein by *in vitro* incubation with cyanogen bromide or by either *in vivo* on *in vitro* incubation with a bacterial methionine N-terminal peptidase (EP-A-0 219 237).

5 Fusion proteins provide an alternative to direct expression. Usually, a DNA sequence encoding the N-terminal portion of an endogenous bacterial protein, or other stable protein, is fused to the 5' end of heterologous coding sequences. Upon expression, this construct will provide a fusion of the two amino acid sequences. For example, the bacteriophage lambda cell gene can be linked at the 5' terminus of a foreign gene and expressed in bacteria. The resulting fusion protein preferably retains a site for a processing enzyme (factor Xa) to cleave the bacteriophage protein from the foreign gene [Nagai *et al.* (1984) *Nature* 309:810]. Fusion proteins can also be made with sequences from the *lacZ* [Jia *et al.* (1987) *Gene* 60:197], *trpE* [Allen *et al.* (1987) *J. Biotechnol.* 5:93; Makoff *et al.* (1989) *J. Gen. Microbiol.* 135:11], and *Chey* [EP-A-0 324 647] genes. The DNA sequence at the junction of the two amino acid sequences may or may not encode a cleavable site. Another example is a ubiquitin fusion protein. Such a fusion protein is made with the ubiquitin region that preferably retains a site for a processing enzyme (eg. ubiquitin specific processing-protease) to cleave the ubiquitin from the foreign protein. Through this method, native foreign protein can be isolated [Miller *et al.* (1989) *Bio/Technology* 7:698].

15 Alternatively, foreign proteins can also be secreted from the cell by creating chimeric DNA molecules that encode a fusion protein comprised of a signal peptide sequence fragment that provides for secretion of the foreign protein in bacteria [US patent 4,336,336]. The signal sequence fragment usually encodes a signal peptide comprised of hydrophobic amino acids which direct the secretion of the protein from the cell. The protein is either secreted into the growth media (gram-positive bacteria) or into the periplasmic space, located between the inner and outer membrane of the cell (gram-negative bacteria). Preferably there are processing sites, which can be cleaved either *in vivo* or *in vitro* encoded between the signal peptide fragment and the foreign gene.

20 DNA encoding suitable signal sequences can be derived from genes for secreted bacterial proteins, such as the *E.coli* outer membrane protein gene (*ompA*) [Masui *et al.* (1983), in: *Experimental Manipulation of Gene Expression*; Ghraryeb *et al.* (1984) *EMBO J.* 3:2437] and the *E.coli* alkaline phosphatase signal sequence (*phoA*) [Oka *et al.* (1985) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.* 82:7212]. As an additional example, the signal sequence of the alpha-amylase gene from various *Bacillus* strains can be used to secrete heterologous proteins from *B. subtilis* [Palva *et al.* (1982) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 79:5582; EP-A-0 244 042].

25 Usually, transcription termination sequences recognized by bacteria are regulatory regions located 3' to the translation stop codon, and thus together with the promoter flank the coding sequence. These sequences direct the transcription of an mRNA which can be translated into the polypeptide encoded by the DNA. Transcription termination sequences frequently include DNA sequences of about 50 nucleotides capable of forming stem loop structures that aid in terminating transcription. Examples include transcription termination sequences derived from genes with strong promoters, such as the *trp* gene in *E.coli* as well as other biosynthetic genes.

30 Usually, the above described components, comprising a promoter, signal sequence (if desired), coding sequence of interest, and transcription termination sequence, are put together into expression constructs. Expression constructs are often maintained in a replicon, such as an extrachromosomal element (eg. plasmids) capable of stable maintenance in a host, such as bacteria. The replicon will have a replication system, thus allowing it to be maintained in a prokaryotic host either for expression or for cloning and amplification. In addition, a replicon may be either a high or low copy number plasmid. A high copy number plasmid will generally have a copy number ranging from about 5 to about 200, and usually about 10 to about 150. A host containing a high copy number plasmid will preferably contain at least about 10, and more preferably at least about 20 plasmids. Either a high or low copy number vector may be selected, depending upon the effect of the vector and the foreign protein on the host.

40 Alternatively, the expression constructs can be integrated into the bacterial genome with an integrating vector. Integrating vectors usually contain at least one sequence homologous to the bacterial chromosome that allows the vector to integrate. Integrations appear to result from recombinations between homologous DNA in the vector and the bacterial chromosome. For example, integrating vectors constructed with DNA from various *Bacillus* strains integrate into the *Bacillus* chromosome (EP-A- 0 127 328). Integrating vectors may also be comprised of bacteriophage or transposon sequences.

45 Usually, extrachromosomal and integrating expression constructs may contain selectable markers to allow for the selection of bacterial strains that have been transformed. Selectable markers can be expressed in the bacterial host and may include genes which render bacteria resistant to drugs such as ampicillin, chloramphenicol, erythromycin, kanamycin (neomycin), and tetracycline [Davies *et al.* (1978) *Annu. Rev. Microbiol.* 32:469]. Selectable markers may also include biosynthetic genes, such as those in the histidine, tryptophan, and leucine biosynthetic pathways.

50 Alternatively, some of the above described components can be put together in transformation vectors. Transformation vectors are usually comprised of a selectable market that is either maintained in a replicon or developed into an integrating vector, as described above.

Expression and transformation vectors, either extra-chromosomal replicons or integrating vectors, have been developed for transformation into many bacteria. For example, expression vectors have been developed for, *inter alia*, the following bacteria: *Bacillus subtilis* [Palva *et al.* (1982) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 79:5582; EP-A-0 036 259 and EP-A-0 063 953; WO 84/04541], *Escherichia coli* [Shimatake *et al.* (1981) *Nature* 292:128; Amann *et al.* (1985) *Gene* 40:183; Studier *et al.* (1986) *J. Mol. Biol.* 189:113; EP-A-0 036 776, EP-A-0 136 829 and EP-A-0 136 907], *Streptococcus cremoris* [Powell *et al.* (1988) *Appl. Environ. Microbiol.* 54:655]; *Streptococcus lividans* [Powell *et al.* (1988) *Appl. Environ. Microbiol.* 54:655], *Streptomyces lividans* [US patent 4,745,056].

Methods of introducing exogenous DNA into bacterial hosts are well-known in the art, and usually include either the transformation of bacteria treated with CaCl_2 or other agents, such as divalent cations and DMSO. DNA can also be introduced into bacterial cells by electroporation. Transformation procedures usually vary with the bacterial species to be transformed. See *eg.* [Masson *et al.* (1989) *FEMS Microbiol. Lett.* 60:273; Palva *et al.* (1982) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 79:5582; EP-A-0 036 259 and EP-A-0 063 953; WO 84/04541, *Bacillus*], [Miller *et al.* (1988) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.* 85:856; Wang *et al.* (1990) *J. Bacteriol.* 172:949, *Campylobacter*], [Cohen *et al.* (1973) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.* 69:2110; Dower *et al.* (1988) *Nucleic Acids Res.* 16:6127; Kushner (1978) "An improved method for transformation of *Escherichia coli* with ColE1-derived plasmids. In *Genetic Engineering: Proceedings of the International Symposium on Genetic Engineering* (eds. H.W. Boyer and S. Nicosia); Mandel *et al.* (1970) *J. Mol. Biol.* 53:159; Taketo (1988) *Biochim. Biophys. Acta* 949:318; *Escherichia*], [Chassy *et al.* (1987) *FEMS Microbiol. Lett.* 44:173 *Lactobacillus*]; [Fiedler *et al.* (1988) *Anal. Biochem.* 170:38, *Pseudomonas*]; [Augustin *et al.* (1990) *FEMS Microbiol. Lett.* 66:203, *Staphylococcus*], [Barany *et al.* (1980) *J. Bacteriol.* 144:698; Harlander (1987) "Transformation of *Streptococcus lactis* by electroporation, in: *Streptococcal Genetics* (ed. J. Ferretti and R. Curtiss III); Perry *et al.* (1981) *Infect. Immun.* 32:1295; Powell *et al.* (1988) *Appl. Environ. Microbiol.* 54:655; Somkuti *et al.* (1987) *Proc. 4th Eur. Cong. Biotechnology* 1:412, *Streptococcus*].

v. Yeast Expression

Yeast expression systems are also known to one of ordinary skill in the art. A yeast promoter is any DNA sequence capable of binding yeast RNA polymerase and initiating the downstream (3') transcription of a coding sequence (*eg.* structural gene) into mRNA. A promoter will have a transcription initiation region which is usually placed proximal to the 5' end of the coding sequence. This transcription initiation region usually includes an RNA polymerase binding site (the "TATA Box") and a transcription initiation site. A yeast promoter may also have a second domain called an upstream activator sequence (UAS), which, if present, is usually distal to the structural gene. The UAS permits regulated (inducible) expression. Constitutive expression occurs in the absence of a UAS. Regulated expression may be either positive or negative, thereby either enhancing or reducing transcription.

Yeast is a fermenting organism with an active metabolic pathway, therefore sequences encoding enzymes in the metabolic pathway provide particularly useful promoter sequences. Examples include alcohol dehydrogenase (ADH) (EP-A-0 284 044), enolase, glucokinase, glucose-6-phosphate isomerase, glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate-dehydrogenase (GAP or GAPDH), hexokinase, phosphofructokinase, 3-phosphoglycerate mutase, and pyruvate kinase (PyK) (EPO-A-0 329 203). The yeast *PHO5* gene, encoding acid phosphatase, also provides useful promoter sequences [Myanohara *et al.* (1983) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 80:1].

In addition, synthetic promoters which do not occur in nature also function as yeast promoters. For example, UAS sequences of one yeast promoter may be joined with the transcription activation region of another yeast promoter, creating a synthetic hybrid promoter. Examples of such hybrid promoters include the ADH regulatory sequence linked to the GAP transcription activation region (US Patent Nos. 4,876,197 and 4,880,734). Other examples of hybrid promoters include promoters which consist of the regulatory sequences of either the *ADH2*, *GAL4*, *GAL10*, OR *PHO5* genes, combined with the transcriptional activation region of a glycolytic enzyme gene such as GAP or PyK (EP-A-0 164 556). Furthermore, a yeast promoter can include naturally occurring promoters of non-yeast origin that have the ability to bind yeast RNA polymerase and initiate transcription. Examples of such promoters include, *inter alia*, [Cohen *et al.* (1980) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 77:1078; Henikoff *et al.* (1981) *Nature* 283:835; Hollenberg *et al.* (1981) *Curr. Topics Microbiol. Immunol.* 96:119; Hollenberg *et al.* (1979) "The Expression of Bacterial Antibiotic Resistance Genes in the Yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*," in: *Plasmids of Medical, Environmental and Commercial Importance* (eds. K.N. Timmis and A. Puhler); Mercerau-Puigalon *et al.* (1980) *Gene* 11:163; Panthier *et al.* (1980) *Curr. Genet.* 2:109;].

A DNA molecule may be expressed intracellularly in yeast. A promoter sequence may be directly linked with the DNA molecule, in which case the first amino acid at the N-terminus of the recombinant protein will always be a methionine, which is encoded by

the ATG start codon. If desired, methionine at the N-terminus may be cleaved from the protein by *in vitro* incubation with cyanogen bromide.

5 Fusion proteins provide an alternative for yeast expression systems, as well as in mammalian, baculovirus, and bacterial expression systems. Usually, a DNA sequence encoding the N-terminal portion of an endogenous yeast protein, or other stable protein, is fused to the 5' end of heterologous coding sequences. Upon expression, this construct will provide a fusion of the two amino acid sequences. For example, the yeast or human superoxide dismutase (SOD) gene, can be linked at the 5' terminus of a foreign gene and expressed in yeast. The DNA sequence at the junction of the two amino acid sequences may or may not encode a cleavable site. See *eg.* EP-A-0 196 056. Another example is a ubiquitin fusion protein. Such a fusion protein is made with the ubiquitin region that preferably retains a site for a processing enzyme (*eg.* ubiquitin-specific processing protease) to cleave the ubiquitin from the foreign protein. Through this method, therefore, native foreign protein can be isolated (*eg.* WO88/024066).

10 Alternatively, foreign proteins can also be secreted from the cell into the growth media by creating chimeric DNA molecules that encode a fusion protein comprised of a leader sequence fragment that provide for secretion in yeast of the foreign protein. Preferably, there are processing sites encoded between the leader fragment and the foreign gene that can be cleaved either *in vivo* or *in vitro*. The leader sequence fragment usually encodes a signal peptide comprised of hydrophobic amino acids which direct the secretion of the protein from the cell.

15 DNA encoding suitable signal sequences can be derived from genes for secreted yeast proteins, such as the yeast invertase gene (EP-A-0 012 873; JPO. 62,096,086) and the A-factor gene (US patent 4,588,684). Alternatively, leaders of non-yeast origin, such as an interferon leader, exist that also provide for secretion in yeast (EP-A-0 060 057).

20 A preferred class of secretion leaders are those that employ a fragment of the yeast alpha-factor gene, which contains both a "pre" signal sequence, and a "pro" region. The types of alpha-factor fragments that can be employed include the full-length pre-pro alpha factor leader (about 83 amino acid residues) as well as truncated alpha-factor leaders (usually about 25 to about 50 amino acid residues) (US Patents 4,546,083 and 4,870,008; EP-A-0 324 274). Additional leaders employing an alpha-factor leader fragment that provides for secretion include hybrid alpha-factor leaders made with a presequence of a first yeast, but a pro-region from a second yeast alphafactor. (*eg.* see WO 89/02463.)

25 Usually, transcription termination sequences recognized by yeast are regulatory regions located 3' to the translation stop codon, and thus together with the promoter flank the coding sequence. These sequences direct the transcription of an mRNA which can be translated into the polypeptide encoded by the DNA. Examples of transcription terminator sequence and other yeast-recognized termination sequences, such as those coding for glycolytic enzymes.

30 Usually, the above described components, comprising a promoter, leader (if desired), coding sequence of interest, and transcription termination sequence, are put together into expression constructs. Expression constructs are often maintained in a replicon, such as an extrachromosomal element (*eg.* plasmids) capable of stable maintenance in a host, such as yeast or bacteria. The replicon may have two replication systems, thus allowing it to be maintained, for example, in yeast for expression and in a prokaryotic host for cloning and amplification. Examples of such yeast-bacteria shuttle vectors include YEp24 [Botstein *et al.* (1979) *Gene* 8:17-24], pCI/1 [Brake *et al.* (1984) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci USA* 81:4642-4646], and YRp17 [Stinchcomb *et al.* (1982) *J. Mol. Biol.* 158:157]. In addition, a replicon may be either a high or low copy number plasmid. A high copy number plasmid will generally have a copy number ranging from about 5 to about 200, and usually about 10 to about 150. A host containing a high copy number plasmid will preferably have at least about 10, and more preferably at least about 20. Enter a high or low copy number vector may be selected, depending upon the effect of the vector and the foreign protein on the host. See *eg.* Brake *et al.*, *supra*.

40 Alternatively, the expression constructs can be integrated into the yeast genome with an integrating vector. Integrating vectors usually contain at least one sequence homologous to a yeast chromosome that allows the vector to integrate, and preferably contain two homologous sequences flanking the expression construct. Integrations appear to result from recombinations between homologous DNA in the vector and the yeast chromosome [Orr-Weaver *et al.* (1983) *Methods in Enzymol.* 101:228-245]. An integrating vector may be directed to a specific locus in yeast by selecting the appropriate homologous sequence for inclusion in the vector. See Orr-Weaver *et al.*, *supra*. One or more expression construct may integrate, possibly affecting levels of recombinant protein produced [Rine *et al.* (1983) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 80:6750]. The chromosomal sequences included in the vector can occur either as a single segment in the vector, which results in the integration of the entire vector, or two segments homologous to adjacent segments in the chromosome and flanking the expression construct in the vector, which can result in the stable integration of only the expression construct.

Usually, extrachromosomal and integrating expression constructs may contain selectable markers to allow for the selection of yeast strains that have been transformed. Selectable markers may include biosynthetic genes that can be expressed in the yeast host, such as *ADE2*, *HIS4*, *LEU2*, *TRP1*, and *ALG7*, and the G418 resistance gene, which confer resistance in yeast cells to tunicamycin and G418, respectively. In addition, a suitable selectable marker may also provide yeast with the ability to grow in the presence of toxic compounds, such as metal. For example, the presence of *CUP1* allows yeast to grow in the presence of copper ions [Butt *et al.* (1987) *Microbiol. Rev.* 51:351].

Alternatively, some of the above described components can be put together into transformation vectors. Transformation vectors are usually comprised of a selectable marker that is either maintained in a replicon or developed into an integrating vector, as described above.

Expression and transformation vectors, either extrachromosomal replicons or integrating vectors, have been developed for transformation into many yeasts. For example, expression vectors have been developed for, *inter alia*, the following yeasts: *Candida albicans* [Kurtz *et al.* (1986) *Mol. Cell. Biol.* 6:142], *Candida maltosa* [Kunze *et al.* (1985) *J. Basic Microbiol.* 25:141], *Hansenula polymorpha* [Gleeson *et al.* (1986) *J. Gen. Microbiol.* 132:3459; Roggenkamp *et al.* (1986) *Mol. Gen. Genet.* 202:302], *Kluyveromyces fragilis* [Das *et al.* (1984) *J. Bacteriol.* 158:1165], *Kluyveromyces lactis* [De Louvencourt *et al.* (1983) *J. Bacteriol.* 154:737; Van den Berg *et al.* (1990) *Bio/Technology* 8:135], *Pichia guilliermondii* [Kunze *et al.* (1985) *J. Basic Microbiol.* 25:141], *Pichia pastoris* [Cregg *et al.* (1985) *Mol. Cell. Biol.* 5:3376; US Patent Nos. 4,837,148 and 4,929,555], *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* [Hinnen *et al.* (1978) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 75:1929; Ito *et al.* (1983) *J. Bacteriol.* 153:163], *Schizosaccharomyces pombe* [Beach and Nurse (1981) *Nature* 300:706], and *Yarrowia lipolytica* [Davidow *et al.* (1985) *Curr. Genet.* 10:380471 Gaillardin *et al.* (1985) *Curr. Genet.* 10:49].

Methods of introducing exogenous DNA into yeast hosts are well-known in the art, and usually include either the transformation of spheroplasts or of intact yeast cells treated with alkali cations. Transformation procedures usually vary with the yeast species to be transformed. See eg. [Kurtz *et al.* (1986) *Mol. Cell. Biol.* 6:142; Kunze *et al.* (1985) *J. Basic Microbiol.* 25:141; *Candida*]; [Gleeson *et al.* (1986) *J. Gen. Microbiol.* 132:3459; Roggenkamp *et al.* (1986) *Mol. Gen. Genet.* 202:302; *Hansenula*]; [Das *et al.* (1984) *J. Bacteriol.* 158:1165; De Louvencourt *et al.* (1983) *J. Bacteriol.* 154:1165; Van den Berg *et al.* (1990) *Bio/Technology* 8:135; *Kluyveromyces*]; [Cregg *et al.* (1985) *Mol. Cell. Biol.* 5:3376; Kunze *et al.* (1985) *J. Basic Microbiol.* 25:141; US Patent Nos. 4,837,148 and 4,929,555; *Pichia*]; [Hinnen *et al.* (1978) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 75:1929; Ito *et al.* (1983) *J. Bacteriol.* 153:163 *Saccharomyces*]; [Beach and Nurse (1981) *Nature* 300:706; *Schizosaccharomyces*]; [Davidow *et al.* (1985) *Curr. Genet.* 10:39; Gaillardin *et al.* (1985) *Curr. Genet.* 10:49; *Yarrowia*].

Antibodies

As used herein, the term "antibody" refers to a polypeptide or group of polypeptides composed of at least one antibody combining site. An "antibody combining site" is the three-dimensional binding space with an internal surface shape and charge distribution complementary to the features of an epitope of an antigen, which allows a binding of the antibody with the antigen. "Antibody" includes, for example, vertebrate antibodies, hybrid antibodies, chimeric antibodies, humanised antibodies, altered antibodies, univalent antibodies, Fab proteins, and single domain antibodies.

Antibodies against the proteins of the invention are useful for affinity chromatography, immunoassays, and distinguishing/identifying streptococcus proteins.

Antibodies to the proteins of the invention, both polyclonal and monoclonal, may be prepared by conventional methods. In general, the protein is first used to immunize a suitable animal, preferably a mouse, rat, rabbit or goat. Rabbits and goats are preferred for the preparation of polyclonal sera due to the volume of serum obtainable, and the availability of labeled antirabbit and anti-goat antibodies. Immunization is generally performed by mixing or emulsifying the protein in saline, preferably in an adjuvant such as Freund's complete adjuvant, and injecting the mixture or emulsion parenterally (generally subcutaneously or intramuscularly). A dose of 50-200 µg/injection is typically sufficient. Immunization is generally boosted 2-6 weeks later with one or more injections of the protein in saline, preferably using Freund's incomplete adjuvant. One may alternatively generate antibodies by *in vitro* immunization using methods known in the art, which for the purposes of this invention is considered equivalent to *in vivo* immunization. Polyclonal antisera is obtained by bleeding the immunized animal into a glass or plastic container, incubating the blood at 25°C for one hour, followed by incubating at 4°C for 2-18 hours. The serum is recovered by centrifugation (eg. 1,000g for 10 minutes). About 20-50 ml per bleed may be obtained from rabbits.

Monoclonal antibodies are prepared using the standard method of Kohler & Milstein [Nature (1975) 256:495-96], or a modification thereof. Typically, a mouse or rat is immunized as described above. However, rather than bleeding the animal to extract serum, the spleen (and optionally several large lymph nodes) is removed and dissociated into single cells. If desired, the

spleen cells may be screened (after removal of nonspecifically adherent cells) by applying a cell suspension to a plate or well coated with the protein antigen. B-cells expressing membrane-bound immunoglobulin specific for the antigen bind to the plate, and are not rinsed away with the rest of the suspension. Resulting B-cells, or all dissociated spleen cells, are then induced to fuse with myeloma cells to form hybridomas, and are cultured in a selective medium (eg. hypoxanthine, aminopterin, thymidine medium, "HAT"). The resulting hybridomas are plated by limiting dilution, and are assayed for production of antibodies which bind specifically to the immunizing antigen (and which do not bind to unrelated antigens). The selected MAb-secreting hybridomas are then cultured either *in vitro* (eg. in tissue culture bottles or hollow fiber reactors), or *in vivo* (as ascites in mice).

If desired, the antibodies (whether polyclonal or monoclonal) may be labeled using conventional techniques. Suitable labels include fluorophores, chromophores, radioactive atoms (particularly ^{32}P and ^{125}I), electron-dense reagents, enzymes, and ligands having specific binding partners. Enzymes are typically detected by their activity. For example, horseradish peroxidase is usually detected by its ability to convert 3,3',5,5'-tetramethylbenzidine (TMB) to a blue pigment, quantifiable with a spectrophotometer. "Specific binding partner" refers to a protein capable of binding a ligand molecule with high specificity, as for example in the case of an antigen and a monoclonal antibody specific therefor. Other specific binding partners include biotin and avidin or streptavidin, IgG and protein A, and the numerous receptor-ligand couples known in the art. It should be understood that the above description is not meant to categorize the various labels into distinct classes, as the same label may serve in several different modes. For example, ^{125}I may serve as a radioactive label or as an electron-dense reagent. HRP may serve as enzyme or as antigen for a MAb. Further, one may combine various labels for desired effect. For example, MAbs and avidin also require labels in the practice of this invention: thus, one might label a MAb with biotin, and detect its presence with avidin labeled with ^{125}I , or with an anti-biotin MAb labeled with HRP. Other permutations and possibilities will be readily apparent to those of ordinary skill in the art, and are considered as equivalents within the scope of the instant invention.

Pharmaceutical Compositions

Pharmaceutical compositions can comprise either polypeptides, antibodies, or nucleic acid of the invention. The pharmaceutical compositions will comprise a therapeutically effective amount of either polypeptides, antibodies, or polynucleotides of the claimed invention.

The term "therapeutically effective amount" as used herein refers to an amount of a therapeutic agent to treat, ameliorate, or prevent a desired disease or condition, or to exhibit a detectable therapeutic or preventative effect. The effect can be detected by, for example, chemical markers or antigen levels. Therapeutic effects also include reduction in physical symptoms, such as decreased body temperature. The precise effective amount for a subject will depend upon the subject's size and health, the nature and extent of the condition, and the therapeutics or combination of therapeutics selected for administration. Thus, it is not useful to specify an exact effective amount in advance. However, the effective amount for a given situation can be determined by routine experimentation and is within the judgement of the clinician.

For purposes of the present invention, an effective dose will be from about 0.01 mg/kg to 50 mg/kg or 0.05 mg/kg to about 10 mg/kg of the molecule of the invention in the individual to which it is administered.

A pharmaceutical composition can also contain a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier. The term "pharmaceutically acceptable carrier" refers to a carrier for administration of a therapeutic agent, such as antibodies or a polypeptide, genes, and other therapeutic agents. The term refers to any pharmaceutical carrier that does not itself induce the production of antibodies harmful to the individual receiving the composition, and which may be administered without undue toxicity. Suitable carriers may be large, slowly metabolized macromolecules such as proteins, polysaccharides, polylactic acids, polyglycolic acids, polymeric amino acids, amino acid copolymers, and inactive virus particles. Such carriers are well known to those of ordinary skill in the art.

Pharmaceutically acceptable salts can be used therein, for example, mineral acid salts such as hydrochlorides, hydrobromides, phosphates, sulfates, and the like; and the salts of organic acids such as acetates, propionates, malonates, benzoates, and the like. A thorough discussion of pharmaceutically acceptable excipients is available in Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences (Mack Pub. Co., N.J. 1991).

Pharmaceutically acceptable carriers in therapeutic compositions may contain liquids such as water, saline, glycerol and ethanol. Additionally, auxiliary substances, such as wetting or emulsifying agents, pH buffering substances, and the like, may be present in such vehicles. Typically, the therapeutic compositions are prepared as injectables, either as liquid solutions or suspensions; solid forms suitable for solution in, or suspension in, liquid vehicles prior to injection may also be prepared. Liposomes are included within the definition of a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Delivery Methods

Once formulated, the compositions of the invention can be administered directly to the subject. The subjects to be treated can be animals; in particular, human subjects can be treated.

- 5 Direct delivery of the compositions will generally be accomplished by injection, either subcutaneously, intraperitoneally, intravenously or intramuscularly or delivered to the interstitial space of a tissue. The compositions can also be administered into a lesion. Other modes of administration include oral and pulmonary administration, suppositories, and transdermal or transcutaneous applications (eg. see WO98/20734), needles, and gene guns or hyposprays. Dosage treatment may be a single dose schedule or a multiple dose schedule.

Vaccines

- 10 Vaccines according to the invention may either be prophylactic (*i.e.* to prevent infection) or therapeutic (*i.e.* to treat disease after infection).

- Such vaccines comprise immunising antigen(s), immunogen(s), polypeptide(s), protein(s) or nucleic acid, usually in combination with "pharmaceutically acceptable carriers," which include any carrier that does not itself induce the production of antibodies harmful to the individual receiving the composition. Suitable carriers are typically large, slowly metabolized macromolecules such as proteins, polysaccharides, polylactic acids, polyglycolic acids, polymeric amino acids, amino acid copolymers, lipid aggregates (such as oil droplets or liposomes), and inactive virus particles. Such carriers are well known to those of ordinary skill in the art. Additionally, these carriers may function as immunostimulating agents ("adjuvants"). Furthermore, the antigen or immunogen may be conjugated to a bacterial toxoid, such as a toxoid from diphtheria, tetanus, cholera, *H. pylori*, etc. pathogens.

- Preferred adjuvants to enhance effectiveness of the composition include, but are not limited to: (1) oil-in-water emulsion formulations (with or without other specific immunostimulating agents such as muramyl peptides (see below) or bacterial cell wall components), such as for example (a) MF59TM (WO90/14837; Chapter 10 in *Vaccine Design – the subunit and adjuvant approach* (1995) ed. Powell & Newman), containing 5% Squalene, 0.5% Tween 80, and 0.5% Span 85 (optionally containing MTP-PE) formulated into submicron particles using a microfluidizer, (b) SAF, containing 10% Squalene, 0.4% Tween 80, 5% pluronic-blocked polymer L121, and thr-MDP either microfluidized into a submicron emulsion or vortexed to generate a larger particle size emulsion, and (c) RibiTM adjuvant system (RAS), (Ribi Immunochem, Hamilton, MT) containing 2% Squalene, 0.2% Tween 80, and one or more bacterial cell wall components from the group consisting of monophosphorylipid A (MPL), trehalose dimycolate (TDM), and cell wall skeleton (CWS), preferably MPL + CWS (DetoxTM); (2) saponin adjuvants, such as QS21 or StimulonTM (Cambridge Bioscience, Worcester, MA) may be used or particles generated therefrom such as ISCOMs (immunostimulating complexes), which ISCOMS may be devoid of additional detergent *e.g.* WO00/07621; (3) Complete Freund's Adjuvant (CFA) and Incomplete Freund's Adjuvant (IFA); (4) cytokines, such as interleukins (*e.g.* IL-1, IL-2, IL-4, IL-5, IL-6, IL-7, IL-12 (WO99/44636), etc.), interferons (*e.g.* gamma interferon), macrophage colony stimulating factor (M-CSF), tumor necrosis factor (TNF), etc.; (5) monophosphoryl lipid A (MPL) or 3-O-deacylated MPL (3dMPL) *e.g.* GB-2220221, EP-A-0689454; (6) combinations of 3dMPL with, for example, QS21 and/or oil-in-water emulsions *e.g.* EP-A-0835318, EP-A-0735898, EP-A-0761231; (7) oligonucleotides comprising CpG motifs [Krieg *Vaccine* 2000, 19, 618-622; Krieg *Curr opin Mol Ther* 2001 3:15-24; Roman *et al.*, *Nat. Med.*, 1997, 3, 849-854; Weiner *et al.*, *PNAS USA*, 1997, 94, 10833-10837; Davis *et al.*, *J. Immunol.*, 1998, 160, 870-876; Chu *et al.*, *J. Exp. Med.*, 1997, 186, 1623-1631; Lipford *et al.*, *Eur. J. Immunol.*, 1997, 27, 2340-2344; Moldoveanu *et al.*, *Vaccine*, 1988, 16, 1216-1224; Krieg *et al.*, *Nature*, 1995, 374, 546-549; Klinman *et al.*, *PNAS USA*, 1996, 93, 2879-2883; Ballas *et al.*, *J. Immunol.*, 1996, 157, 1840-1845; Cowdery *et al.*, *J. Immunol.*, 1996, 156, 4570-4575; Halpern *et al.*, *Cell. Immunol.*, 1996, 167, 72-78; Yamamoto *et al.*, *Jpn. J. Cancer Res.*, 1988, 79, 866-873; Stacey *et al.*, *J. Immunol.*, 1996, 157, 2116-2122; Messina *et al.*, *J. Immunol.*, 1991, 147, 1759-1764; Yi *et al.*, *J. Immunol.*, 1996, 157, 4918-4925; Yi *et al.*, *J. Immunol.*, 1996, 157, 5394-5402; Yi *et al.*, *J. Immunol.*, 1998, 160, 4755-4761; and Yi *et al.*, *J. Immunol.*, 1998, 160, 5898-5906; International patent applications WO96/02555, WO98/16247, WO98/18810, WO98/40100, WO98/55495, WO98/37919 and WO98/52581] *i.e.* containing at least one CG dinucleotide, with 5-methylcytosine optionally being used in place of cytosine; (8) a polyoxyethylene ether or a polyoxyethylene ester *e.g.* WO99/52549; (9) a polyoxyethylene sorbitan ester surfactant in combination with an octoxynol (*e.g.* WO01/21207) or a polyoxyethylene alkyl ether or ester surfactant in combination with at least one additional non-ionic surfactant such as an octoxynol (*e.g.* WO01/21152); (10) an immunostimulatory oligonucleotide (*e.g.* a CpG oligonucleotide) and a saponin *e.g.* WO00/62800; (11) an immunostimulant and a particle of metal salt *e.g.* WO00/23105; (12) a saponin and an oil-in-water emulsion *e.g.* WO99/11241; (13) a saponin (*e.g.* QS21) + 3dMPL + IL-12 (optionally + a sterol) *e.g.* WO98/57659; (14) aluminium salts, preferably hydroxide or phosphate, but any other suitable salt may also be used (*e.g.* hydroxyphosphate, oxyhydroxide, orthophosphate, sulphate *etc.* [*e.g.* see chapters 8 & 9 of Powell & Newman]). Mixtures of different aluminium

salts may also be used. The salt may take any suitable form (e.g. gel, crystalline, amorphous *etc.*); (15) other substances that act as immunostimulating agents to enhance the efficacy of the composition. Aluminium salts and/or MF59™ are preferred.

As mentioned above, muramyl peptides include, but are not limited to, N-acetyl-muramyl-L-threonyl-D-isoglutamine (thr-MDP), N-acetyl-normuramyl-L-alanyl-D-isoglutamine (nor-MDP), N-acetylmuramyl-L-alanyl-D-isoglutaminyl-L-alanine-2-(1'-2'-dipalmitoyl-*sn*-glycero-3-hydroxyphosphoryloxy)-ethylamine (MTP-PE), *etc.*

The immunogenic compositions (e.g. the immunising antigen/immunogen/polypeptide/protein/ nucleic acid, pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, and adjuvant) typically will contain diluents, such as water, saline, glycerol, ethanol, *etc.* Additionally, auxiliary substances, such as wetting or emulsifying agents, pH buffering substances, and the like, may be present in such vehicles.

Typically, the immunogenic compositions are prepared as injectables, either as liquid solutions or suspensions; solid forms suitable for solution in, or suspension in, liquid vehicles prior to injection may also be prepared. The preparation also may be emulsified or encapsulated in liposomes for enhanced adjuvant effect, as discussed above under pharmaceutically acceptable carriers.

Immunogenic compositions used as vaccines comprise an immunologically effective amount of the antigenic or immunogenic polypeptides, as well as any other of the above-mentioned components, as needed. By "immunologically effective amount", it is meant that the administration of that amount to an individual, either in a single dose or as part of a series, is effective for treatment or prevention. This amount varies depending upon the health and physical condition of the individual to be treated, the taxonomic group of individual to be treated (e.g. nonhuman primate, primate, *etc.*), the capacity of the individual's immune system to synthesize antibodies, the degree of protection desired, the formulation of the vaccine, the treating doctor's assessment of the medical situation, and other relevant factors. It is expected that the amount will fall in a relatively broad range that can be determined through routine trials.

The immunogenic compositions are conventionally administered parenterally, e.g. by injection, either subcutaneously, intramuscularly, or transdermally/transcutaneously (e.g. WO98/20734). Additional formulations suitable for other modes of administration include oral and pulmonary formulations, suppositories, and transdermal applications. Dosage treatment may be a single dose schedule or a multiple dose schedule. The vaccine may be administered in conjunction with other immunoregulatory agents.

As an alternative to protein-based vaccines, DNA vaccination may be used [e.g. Robinson & Torres (1997) *Seminars in Immunol* 9:271-283; Donnelly *et al.* (1997) *Annu Rev Immunol* 15:617-648; later herein].

Gene Delivery Vehicles

Gene therapy vehicles for delivery of constructs including a coding sequence of a therapeutic of the invention, to be delivered to the mammal for expression in the mammal, can be administered either locally or systemically. These constructs can utilize viral or non-viral vector approaches in *in vivo* or *ex vivo* modality. Expression of such coding sequence can be induced using endogenous mammalian or heterologous promoters. Expression of the coding sequence *in vivo* can be either constitutive or regulated.

The invention includes gene delivery vehicles capable of expressing the contemplated nucleic acid sequences. The gene delivery vehicle is preferably a viral vector and, more preferably, a retroviral, adenoviral, adeno-associated viral (AAV), herpes viral, or alphavirus vector. The viral vector can also be an astrovirus, coronavirus, orthomyxovirus, papovavirus, paramyxovirus, parvovirus, picornavirus, poxvirus, or togavirus viral vector. See generally, Jolly (1994) *Cancer Gene Therapy* 1:51-64; Kimura (1994) *Human Gene Therapy* 5:845-852; Connelly (1995) *Human Gene Therapy* 6:185-193; and Kaplitt (1994) *Nature Genetics* 6:148-153.

Retroviral vectors are well known in the art and we contemplate that any retroviral gene therapy vector is employable in the invention, including B, C and D type retroviruses, xenotropic retroviruses (for example, NZB-X1, NZB-X2 and NZB9-1 (see O'Neill (1985) *J. Virol.* 53:160) polytropic retroviruses e.g. MCF and MCF-MLV (see Kelly (1983) *J. Virol.* 45:291), spumaviruses and lentiviruses. See RNA Tumor Viruses, Second Edition, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, 1985.

Portions of the retroviral gene therapy vector may be derived from different retroviruses. For example, retrovector LTRs may be derived from a Murine Sarcoma Virus, a tRNA binding site from a Rous Sarcoma Virus, a packaging signal from a Murine Leukemia Virus, and an origin of second strand synthesis from an Avian Leukosis Virus.

These recombinant retroviral vectors may be used to generate transduction competent retroviral vector particles by introducing them into appropriate packaging cell lines (see US patent 5,591,624). Retrovirus vectors can be constructed for site-specific integration into host cell DNA by incorporation of a chimeric integrase enzyme into the retroviral particle (see WO96/37626). It is preferable that the recombinant viral vector is a replication defective recombinant virus.

Packaging cell lines suitable for use with the above-described retrovirus vectors are well known in the art, are readily prepared (see WO95/30763 and WO92/05266), and can be used to create producer cell lines (also termed vector cell lines or "VCLs") for the production of recombinant vector particles. Preferably, the packaging cell lines are made from human parent cells (e.g. HT1080 cells) or mink parent cell lines, which eliminates inactivation in human serum.

- 5 Preferred retroviruses for the construction of retroviral gene therapy vectors include Avian Leukosis Virus, Bovine Leukemia Virus, Murine Leukemia Virus, Mink-Cell Focus-Inducing Virus, Murine Sarcoma Virus, Reticuloendotheliosis Virus and Rous Sarcoma Virus. Particularly preferred Murine Leukemia Viruses include 4070A and 1504A (Hartley and Rowe (1976) *J Virol* 19:19-25), Abelson (ATCC No. VR-999), Friend (ATCC No. VR-245), Graffi, Gross (ATCC No. VR-590), Kirsten, Harvey Sarcoma Virus and Rauscher (ATCC No. VR-998) and Moloney Murine Leukemia Virus (ATCC No. VR-190). Such
10 retroviruses may be obtained from depositories or collections such as the American Type Culture Collection ("ATCC") in Rockville, Maryland or isolated from known sources using commonly available techniques.

- Exemplary known retroviral gene therapy vectors employable in this invention include those described in patent applications GB2200651, EP0415731, EP0345242, EP0334301, WO89/02468; WO89/05349, WO89/09271, WO90/02806, WO90/07936, WO94/03622, WO93/25698, WO93/25234, WO93/11230, WO93/10218, WO91/02805, WO91/02825,
15 WO95/07994, US 5,219,740, US 4,405,712, US 4,861,719, US 4,980,289, US 4,777,127, US 5,591,624. See also Vile (1993) *Cancer Res* 53:3860-3864; Vile (1993) *Cancer Res* 53:962-967; Ram (1993) *Cancer Res* 53 (1993) 83-88; Takamiya (1992) *J Neurosci Res* 33:493-503; Baba (1993) *J Neurosurg* 79:729-735; Mann (1983) *Cell* 33:153; Cane (1984) *Proc Natl Acad Sci* 81:6349; and Miller (1990) *Human Gene Therapy* 1.

- Human adenoviral gene therapy vectors are also known in the art and employable in this invention. See, for example, Berkner (1988) *Biotechniques* 6:616 and Rosenfeld (1991) *Science* 252:431, and WO93/07283, WO93/06223, and WO93/07282.
20 Exemplary known adenoviral gene therapy vectors employable in this invention include those described in the above referenced documents and in WO94/12649, WO93/03769, WO93/19191, WO94/28938, WO95/11984, WO95/00655, WO95/27071, WO95/29993, WO95/34671, WO96/05320, WO94/08026, WO94/11506, WO93/06223, WO94/24299, WO95/14102, WO95/24297, WO95/02697, WO94/28152, WO94/24299, WO95/09241, WO95/25807, WO95/05835, WO94/18922 and
25 WO95/09654. Alternatively, administration of DNA linked to killed adenovirus as described in Curiel (1992) *Hum. Gene Ther.* 3:147-154 may be employed. The gene delivery vehicles of the invention also include adenovirus associated virus (AAV) vectors. Leading and preferred examples of such vectors for use in this invention are the AAV-2 based vectors disclosed in Srivastava, WO93/09239. Most preferred AAV vectors comprise the two AAV inverted terminal repeats in which the native Dsequences are modified by substitution of nucleotides, such that at least 5 native nucleotides and up to 18 native nucleotides, preferably at
30 least 10 native nucleotides up to 18 native nucleotides, most preferably 10 native nucleotides are retained and the remaining nucleotides of the D-sequence are deleted or replaced with non-native nucleotides. The native D-sequences of the AAV inverted terminal repeats are sequences of 20 consecutive nucleotides in each AAV inverted terminal repeat (i.e. there is one sequence at each end) which are not involved in HP formation. The non-native replacement nucleotide may be any nucleotide other than the nucleotide found in the native Dsequence in the same position. Other employable exemplary AAV vectors are pWP-19,
35 pWN-1, both of which are disclosed in Nahreini (1993) *Gene* 124:257-262. Another example of such an AAV vector is psub201 (see Samulski (1987) *J. Virol.* 61:3096). Another exemplary AAV vector is the Double-D ITR vector. Construction of the Double-D ITR vector is disclosed in US Patent 5,478,745. Still other vectors are those disclosed in Carter US Patent 4,797,368 and Muzyczka US Patent 5,139,941, Chartejee US Patent 5,474,935, and Kotin WO94/288157. Yet a further example of an AAV vector employable in this invention is SSV9AFABTKneo, which contains the AFP enhancer and albumin
40 promoter and directs expression predominantly in the liver. Its structure and construction are disclosed in Su (1996) *Human Gene Therapy* 7:463-470. Additional AAV gene therapy vectors are described in US 5,354,678, US 5,173,414, US 5,139,941, and US 5,252,479.

- The gene therapy vectors of the invention also include herpes vectors. Leading and preferred examples are herpes simplex virus vectors containing a sequence encoding a thymidine kinase polypeptide such as those disclosed in US 5,288,641 and
45 EP0176170 (Roizman). Additional exemplary herpes simplex virus vectors include HFEM/ICP6-LacZ disclosed in WO95/04139 (Wistar Institute), pHSVlac described in Geller (1988) *Science* 241:1667-1669 and in WO90/09441 and WO92/07945, HSV Us3::pgC-lacZ described in Fink (1992) *Human Gene Therapy* 3:11-19 and HSV 7134, 2 RH 105 and GAL4 described in EP 0453242 (Breafield), and those deposited with the ATCC with accession numbers VR-977 and VR-260.

- 50 Also contemplated are alpha virus gene therapy vectors that can be employed in this invention. Preferred alpha virus vectors are Sindbis viruses vectors. Togaviruses, Semliki Forest virus (ATCC VR-67; ATCC VR-1247), Middleberg virus (ATCC

VR-370), Ross River virus (ATCC VR-373; ATCC VR-1246), Venezuelan equine encephalitis virus (ATCC VR923; ATCC VR-1250; ATCC VR-1249; ATCC VR-532), and those described in US patents 5,091,309, 5,217,879, and WO92/10578. More particularly, those alpha virus vectors described in US Serial No. 08/405,627, filed March 15, 1995, WO94/21792, WO92/10578, WO95/07994, US 5,091,309 and US 5,217,879 are employable. Such alpha viruses may be obtained from

5 depositories or collections such as the ATCC in Rockville, Maryland or isolated from known sources using commonly available techniques. Preferably, alphavirus vectors with reduced cytotoxicity are used (see USSN 08/679640).

DNA vector systems such as eukaryotic layered expression systems are also useful for expressing the nucleic acids of the invention. See WO95/07994 for a detailed description of eukaryotic layered expression systems. Preferably, the eukaryotic layered expression systems of the invention are derived from alphavirus vectors and most preferably from Sindbis viral vectors.

- 10 Other viral vectors suitable for use in the present invention include those derived from poliovirus, for example ATCC VR-58 and those described in Evans, Nature 339 (1989) 385 and Sabin (1973) *J. Biol. Standardization* 1:115; rhinovirus, for example ATCC VR-1110 and those described in Arnold (1990) *J Cell Biochem* L401; pox viruses such as canary pox virus or vaccinia virus, for example ATCC VR-111 and ATCC VR-2010 and those described in Fisher-Hoch (1989) *Proc Natl Acad Sci* 86:317; Flexner (1989) *Ann NY Acad Sci* 569:86; Flexner (1990) *Vaccine* 8:17; in US 4,603,112 and US 4,769,330 and
- 15 WO89/01973; SV40 virus, for example ATCC VR-305 and those described in Mulligan (1979) *Nature* 277:108 and Madzak (1992) *J Gen Virol* 73:1533; influenza virus, for example ATCC VR-797 and recombinant influenza viruses made employing reverse genetics techniques as described in US 5,166,057 and in Enami (1990) *Proc Natl Acad Sci* 87:3802-3805; Enami & Palese (1991) *J Virol* 65:2711-2713 and Luytjes (1989) *Cell* 59:110, (see also McMichael (1983) *NEJ Med* 309:13, and Yap (1978) *Nature* 273:238 and *Nature* (1979) 277:108); human immunodeficiency virus as described in EP-0386882 and in
- 20 Buchschacher (1992) *J. Virol.* 66:2731; measles virus, for example ATCC VR-67 and VR-1247 and those described in EP-0440219; Aura virus, for example ATCC VR-368; Bebaru virus, for example ATCC VR-600 and ATCC VR-1240; Cabassou virus, for example ATCC VR-922; Chikungunya virus, for example ATCC VR-64 and ATCC VR-1241; Fort Morgan Virus, for example ATCC VR-924; Getah virus, for example ATCC VR-369 and ATCC VR-1243; Kyzylagach virus, for example ATCC VR-927; Mayaro virus, for example ATCC VR-66; Mucambo virus, for example ATCC VR-580 and ATCC VR-1244;
- 25 Ndumu virus, for example ATCC VR-371; Pixuna virus, for example ATCC VR-372 and ATCC VR-1245; Tonate virus, for example ATCC VR-925; Trinit virus, for example ATCC VR-469; Una virus, for example ATCC VR-374; Whataroa virus, for example ATCC VR-926; Y-62-33 virus, for example ATCC VR-375; O'Nyong virus, Eastern encephalitis virus, for example ATCC VR-65 and ATCC VR-1242; Western encephalitis virus, for example ATCC VR-70, ATCC VR-1251, ATCC VR-622 and ATCC VR-1252; and coronavirus, for example ATCC VR-740 and those described in Hamre (1966) *Proc Soc Exp Biol*
- 30 *Med* 121:190.

Delivery of the compositions of this invention into cells is not limited to the above mentioned viral vectors. Other delivery methods and media may be employed such as, for example, nucleic acid expression vectors, polycationic condensed DNA linked or unlinked to killed adenovirus alone, for example see US Serial No. 08/366,787, filed December 30, 1994 and Curiel (1992) *Hum Gene Ther* 3:147-154 ligand linked DNA, for example see Wu (1989) *J Biol Chem* 264:16985-16987, eucaryotic cell

35 delivery vehicles cells, for example see US Serial No. 08/240,030, filed May 9, 1994, and US Serial No. 08/404,796, deposition of photopolymerized hydrogel materials, hand-held gene transfer particle gun, as described in US Patent 5,149,655, ionizing radiation as described in US5,206,152 and in WO92/11033, nucleic charge neutralization or fusion with cell membranes. Additional approaches are described in Philip (1994) *Mol Cell Biol* 14:2411-2418 and in Woffendin (1994) *Proc Natl Acad Sci* 91:1581-1585.

- 40 Particle mediated gene transfer may be employed, for example see US Serial No. 60/023,867. Briefly, the sequence can be inserted into conventional vectors that contain conventional control sequences for high level expression, and then incubated with synthetic gene transfer molecules such as polymeric DNA-binding cations like polylysine, protamine, and albumin, linked to cell targeting ligands such as asialoorosomucoid, as described in Wu & Wu (1987) *J. Biol. Chem.* 262:4429-4432, insulin as described in Hucked (1990) *Biochem Pharmacol* 40:253-263, galactose as described in Plank (1992) *Bioconjugate Chem*
- 45 3:533-539, lactose or transferrin.

Naked DNA may also be employed. Exemplary naked DNA introduction methods are described in WO 90/11092 and US 5,580,859. Uptake efficiency may be improved using biodegradable latex beads. DNA coated latex beads are efficiently transported into cells after endocytosis initiation by the beads. The method may be improved further by treatment of the beads to increase hydrophobicity and thereby facilitate disruption of the endosome and release of the DNA into the cytoplasm.

- 50 Liposomes that can act as gene delivery vehicles are described in US 5,422,120, WO95/13796, WO94/23697, WO91/14445 and EP-524,968. As described in USSN. 60/023,867, on non-viral delivery, the nucleic acid sequences encoding a polypeptide

can be inserted into conventional vectors that contain conventional control sequences for high level expression, and then be incubated with synthetic gene transfer molecules such as polymeric DNA-binding cations like polylysine, protamine, and albumin, linked to cell targeting ligands such as asialoorosomucoid, insulin, galactose, lactose, or transferrin. Other delivery systems include the use of liposomes to encapsulate DNA comprising the gene under the control of a variety of tissue-specific or ubiquitously-active promoters. Further non-viral delivery suitable for use includes mechanical delivery systems such as the approach described in Woffendin *et al* (1994) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 91(24):11581-11585. Moreover, the coding sequence and the product of expression of such can be delivered through deposition of photopolymerized hydrogel materials. Other conventional methods for gene delivery that can be used for delivery of the coding sequence include, for example, use of hand-held gene transfer particle gun, as described in US 5,149,655; use of ionizing radiation for activating transferred gene, as described in US 5,206,152 and WO92/11033

Exemplary liposome and polycationic gene delivery vehicles are those described in US 5,422,120 and 4,762,915; in WO 95/13796; WO94/23697; and WO91/14445; in EP-0524968; and in Stryer, *Biochemistry*, pages 236-240 (1975) W.H. Freeman, San Francisco; Szoka (1980) *Biochem Biophys Acta* 600:1; Bayer (1979) *Biochem Biophys Acta* 550:464; Rivnay (1987) *Meth Enzymol* 149:119; Wang (1987) *Proc Natl Acad Sci* 84:7851; Plant (1989) *Anal Biochem* 176:420.

A polynucleotide composition can comprises therapeutically effective amount of a gene therapy vehicle, as the term is defined above. For purposes of the present invention, an effective dose will be from about 0.01 mg/ kg to 50 mg/kg or 0.05 mg/kg to about 10 mg/kg of the DNA constructs in the individual to which it is administered.

Delivery Methods

Once formulated, the polynucleotide compositions of the invention can be administered (1) directly to the subject; (2) delivered *ex vivo*, to cells derived from the subject; or (3) *in vitro* for expression of recombinant proteins. The subjects to be treated can be mammals or birds. Also, human subjects can be treated.

Direct delivery of the compositions will generally be accomplished by injection, either subcutaneously, intraperitoneally, intravenously or intramuscularly or delivered to the interstitial space of a tissue. The compositions can also be administered into a lesion. Other modes of administration include oral and pulmonary administration, suppositories, and transdermal or transcutaneous applications (eg. see WO98/20734), needles, and gene guns or hyposprays. Dosage treatment may be a single dose schedule or a multiple dose schedule.

Methods for the *ex vivo* delivery and reimplantation of transformed cells into a subject are known in the art and described in eg. WO93/14778. Examples of cells useful in *ex vivo* applications include, for example, stem cells, particularly hematopoietic, lymph cells, macrophages, dendritic cells, or tumor cells.

Generally, delivery of nucleic acids for both *ex vivo* and *in vitro* applications can be accomplished by the following procedures, for example, dextran-mediated transfection, calcium phosphate precipitation, polybrene mediated transfection, protoplast fusion, electroporation, encapsulation of the polynucleotide(s) in liposomes, and direct microinjection of the DNA into nuclei, all well known in the art.

Polynucleotide and polypeptide pharmaceutical compositions

In addition to the pharmaceutically acceptable carriers and salts described above, the following additional agents can be used with polynucleotide and/or polypeptide compositions.

A. Polypeptides

One example are polypeptides which include, without limitation: asioloorosomucoid (ASOR); transferrin; asialoglycoproteins; antibodies; antibody fragments; ferritin; interleukins; interferons, granulocyte, macrophage colony stimulating factor (GM-CSF), granulocyte colony stimulating factor (G-CSF), macrophage colony stimulating factor (M-CSF), stem cell factor and erythropoietin. Viral antigens, such as envelope proteins, can also be used. Also, proteins from other invasive organisms, such as the 17 amino acid peptide from the circumsporozoite protein of plasmodium falciparum known as RII.

B. Hormones, Vitamins, etc.

Other groups that can be included are, for example: hormones, steroids, androgens, estrogens, thyroid hormone, or vitamins, folic acid.

C.Polyalkylenes, Polysaccharides, etc.

Also, polyalkylene glycol can be included with the desired polynucleotides/polypeptides. In a preferred embodiment, the polyalkylene glycol is polyethylene glycol. In addition, mono-, di-, or polysaccharides can be included. In a preferred embodiment of this aspect, the polysaccharide is dextran or DEAE-dextran. Also, chitosan and poly(lactide-co-glycolide)

5 D.Lipids, and Liposomes

The desired polynucleotide/polypeptide can also be encapsulated in lipids or packaged in liposomes prior to delivery to the subject or to cells derived therefrom.

Lipid encapsulation is generally accomplished using liposomes which are able to stably bind or entrap and retain nucleic acid. The ratio of condensed polynucleotide to lipid preparation can vary but will generally be around 1:1 (mg DNA:micromoles lipid), or
10 more of lipid. For a review of the use of liposomes as carriers for delivery of nucleic acids, see, Hug and Sleight (1991) *Biochim. Biophys. Acta*. 1097:1-17; Straubinger (1983) *Meth. Enzymol.* 101:512-527.

Liposomal preparations for use in the present invention include cationic (positively charged), anionic (negatively charged) and neutral preparations. Cationic liposomes have been shown to mediate intracellular delivery of plasmid DNA (Felgner (1987) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 84:7413-7416); mRNA (Malone (1989) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 86:6077-6081); and purified
15 transcription factors (Debs (1990) *J. Biol. Chem.* 265:10189-10192), in functional form.

Cationic liposomes are readily available. For example, N[1-2,3-dioleoyloxy)propyl]-N,N,N-triethylammonium (DOTMA) liposomes are available under the trademark Lipofectin, from GIBCO BRL, Grand Island, NY. (See, also, Felgner *supra*). Other commercially available liposomes include transfectace (DDAB/DOPE) and DOTAP/DOPE (Boehringer). Other cationic liposomes can be prepared from readily available materials using techniques well known in the art. See, eg. Szoka (1978) *Proc.*
20 *Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 75:4194-4198; WO90/11092 for a description of the synthesis of DOTAP (1,2-bis(oleoyloxy)-3-(trimethylammonio)propane) liposomes.

Similarly, anionic and neutral liposomes are readily available, such as from Avanti Polar Lipids (Birmingham, AL), or can be easily prepared using readily available materials. Such materials include phosphatidyl choline, cholesterol, phosphatidyl ethanolamine, dioleoylphosphatidyl choline (DOPC), dioleoylphosphatidyl glycerol (DOPG), dioleoylphosphatidyl ethanolamine (DOPE), among
25 others. These materials can also be mixed with the DOTMA and DOTAP starting materials in appropriate ratios. Methods for making liposomes using these materials are well known in the art.

The liposomes can comprise multilamellar vesicles (MLVs), small unilamellar vesicles (SUVs), or large unilamellar vesicles (LUVs). The various liposome-nucleic acid complexes are prepared using methods known in the art. See eg. Straubinger (1983) *Meth. Immunol.* 101:512-527; Szoka (1978) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 75:4194-4198; Papahadjopoulos (1975) *Biochim.*
30 *Biophys. Acta* 394:483; Wilson (1979) *Cell* 17:77; Deamer & Bangham (1976) *Biochim. Biophys. Acta* 443:629; Ostro (1977) *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun.* 76:836; Fraley (1979) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 76:3348; Enoch & Strittmatter (1979) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 76:145; Fraley (1980) *J. Biol. Chem.* (1980) 255:10431; Szoka & Papahadjopoulos (1978) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 75:145; and Schaefer-Ridder (1982) *Science* 215:166.

E.Lipoproteins

In addition, lipoproteins can be included with the polynucleotide/polypeptide to be delivered. Examples of lipoproteins to be utilized include: chylomicrons, HDL, IDL, LDL, and VLDL. Mutants, fragments, or fusions of these proteins can also be used. Also, modifications of naturally occurring lipoproteins can be used, such as acetylated LDL. These lipoproteins can target the delivery of polynucleotides to cells expressing lipoprotein receptors. Preferably, if lipoproteins are including with the polynucleotide to be delivered, no other targeting ligand is included in the composition.

Naturally occurring lipoproteins comprise a lipid and a protein portion. The protein portion are known as apoproteins. At the present, apoproteins A, B, C, D, and E have been isolated and identified. At least two of these contain several proteins, designated by Roman numerals, AI, AII, AIV; CI, CII, CIII.

A lipoprotein can comprise more than one apoprotein. For example, naturally occurring chylomicrons comprises of A, B, C & E, over time these lipoproteins lose A and acquire C & E. VLDL comprises A, B, C & E apoproteins, LDL comprises apoprotein B; and HDL comprises apoproteins A, C, & E.
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The amino acid of these apoproteins are known and are described in, for example, Breslow (1985) *Annu Rev. Biochem* 54:699; Law (1986) *Adv. Exp Med. Biol.* 151:162; Chen (1986) *J Biol Chem* 261:12918; Kane (1980) *Proc Natl Acad Sci USA* 77:2465; and Utermann (1984) *Hum Genet* 65:232.

Lipoproteins contain a variety of lipids including, triglycerides, cholesterol (free and esters), and phospholipids. The composition of the lipids varies in naturally occurring lipoproteins. For example, chylomicrons comprise mainly triglycerides. A more detailed description of the lipid content of naturally occurring lipoproteins can be found, for example, in *Meth. Enzymol.* 128 (1986). The composition of the lipids are chosen to aid in conformation of the apoprotein for receptor binding activity. The composition of lipids can also be chosen to facilitate hydrophobic interaction and association with the polynucleotide binding molecule.

Naturally occurring lipoproteins can be isolated from serum by ultracentrifugation, for instance. Such methods are described in *Meth. Enzymol.* (*supra*); Pitas (1980) *J. Biochem.* 255:5454-5460 and Mahey (1979) *J. Clin. Invest.* 64:743-750. Lipoproteins can also be produced by *in vitro* or recombinant methods by expression of the apoprotein genes in a desired host cell. See, for example, Atkinson (1986) *Annu Rev Biophys Chem* 15:403 and Radding (1958) *Biochim Biophys Acta* 30: 443. Lipoproteins can also be purchased from commercial suppliers, such as Biomedical Technologies, Inc., Stoughton, MA, USA. Further description of lipoproteins can be found in WO98/06437..

F. Polycationic Agents

Polycationic agents can be included, with or without lipoprotein, in a composition with the desired polynucleotide/polypeptide to be delivered.

Polycationic agents, typically, exhibit a net positive charge at physiological relevant pH and are capable of neutralizing the electrical charge of nucleic acids to facilitate delivery to a desired location. These agents have both *in vitro*, *ex vivo*, and *in vivo* applications. Polycationic agents can be used to deliver nucleic acids to a living subject either intramuscularly, subcutaneously, *etc.*

The following are examples of useful polypeptides as polycationic agents: polylysine, polyarginine, polyornithine, and protamine. Other examples include histones, protamines, human serum albumin, DNA binding proteins, non-histone chromosomal proteins, coat proteins from DNA viruses, such as (X174, transcriptional factors also contain domains that bind DNA and therefore may be useful as nucleic acid condensing agents. Briefly, transcriptional factors such as C/EBP, *cjun*, *c-fos*, AP-1, AP-2, AP-3, CPF, Prot-1, Sp-1, Oct-1, Oct-2, CREP, and TFIID contain basic domains that bind DNA sequences.

Organic polycationic agents include: spermine, spermidine, and putrescine.

The dimensions and of the physical properties of a polycationic agent can be extrapolated from the list above, to construct other polypeptide polycationic agents or to produce synthetic polycationic agents.

Synthetic polycationic agents which are useful include, for example, DEAE-dextran, polybrene. Lipofectin™, and lipofectAMINE™ are monomers that form polycationic complexes when combined with polynucleotides/polypeptides.

Immunodiagnostic Assays

Streptococcus antigens of the invention can be used in immunoassays to detect antibody levels (or, conversely, anti-streptococcus antibodies can be used to detect antigen levels). Immunoassays based on well defined, recombinant antigens can be developed to replace invasive diagnostics methods. Antibodies to streptococcus proteins within biological samples, including for example, blood or serum samples, can be detected. Design of the immunoassays is subject to a great deal of variation, and a variety of these are known in the art. Protocols for the immunoassay may be based, for example, upon competition, or direct reaction, or sandwich type assays. Protocols may also, for example, use solid supports, or may be by immunoprecipitation. Most assays involve the use of labeled antibody or polypeptide; the labels may be, for example, fluorescent, chemiluminescent, radioactive, or dye molecules. Assays which amplify the signals from the probe are also known; examples of which are assays which utilize biotin and avidin, and enzyme-labeled and mediated immunoassays, such as ELISA assays.

Kits suitable for immunodiagnosis and containing the appropriate labeled reagents are constructed by packaging the appropriate materials, including the compositions of the invention, in suitable containers, along with the remaining reagents and materials (for example, suitable buffers, salt solutions, *etc.*) required for the conduct of the assay, as well as suitable set of assay instructions.

Nucleic Acid Hybridisation

"Hybridization" refers to the association of two nucleic acid sequences to one another by hydrogen bonding. Typically, one sequence will be fixed to a solid support and the other will be free in solution. Then, the two sequences will be placed in contact with one another under conditions that favor hydrogen bonding. Factors that affect this bonding include: the type and volume of solvent; reaction temperature; time of hybridization; agitation; agents to block the non-specific attachment of the liquid phase sequence to the solid support (Denhardt's reagent or BLOTTO); concentration of the sequences; use of compounds to increase the rate of association of sequences (dextran sulfate or polyethylene glycol); and the stringency of the washing conditions following hybridization. See Sambrook *et al.* [*supra*] Volume 2, chapter 9, pages 9.47 to 9.57.

"Stringency" refers to conditions in a hybridization reaction that favor association of very similar sequences over sequences that differ. For example, the combination of temperature and salt concentration should be chosen that is approximately 120 to 200°C below the calculated T_m of the hybrid under study. The temperature and salt conditions can often be determined empirically in preliminary experiments in which samples of genomic DNA immobilized on filters are hybridized to the sequence of interest and then washed under conditions of different stringencies. See Sambrook *et al.* at page 9.50.

Variables to consider when performing, for example, a Southern blot are (1) the complexity of the DNA being blotted and (2) the homology between the probe and the sequences being detected. The total amount of the fragment(s) to be studied can vary a magnitude of 10, from 0.1 to 1 µg for a plasmid or phage digest to 10^{-9} to 10^{-8} g for a single copy gene in a highly complex eukaryotic genome. For lower complexity polynucleotides, substantially shorter blotting, hybridization, and exposure times, a smaller amount of starting polynucleotides, and lower specific activity of probes can be used. For example, a single-copy yeast gene can be detected with an exposure time of only 1 hour starting with 1 µg of yeast DNA, blotting for two hours, and hybridizing for 48 hours with a probe of 10^8 cpm/µg. For a single-copy mammalian gene a conservative approach would start with 10 µg of DNA, blot overnight, and hybridize overnight in the presence of 10% dextran sulfate using a probe of greater than 10^8 cpm/µg, resulting in an exposure time of ~24 hours.

Several factors can affect the melting temperature (T_m) of a DNA-DNA hybrid between the probe and the fragment of interest, and consequently, the appropriate conditions for hybridization and washing. In many cases the probe is not 100% homologous to the fragment. Other commonly encountered variables include the length and total G+C content of the hybridizing sequences and the ionic strength and formamide content of the hybridization buffer. The effects of all of these factors can be approximated by a single equation:

$$T_m = 81 + 16.6(\log_{10} C_i) + 0.4[\%(G + C)] - 0.6(\%\text{formamide}) - 600/n - 1.5(\%\text{mismatch}).$$

where C_i is the salt concentration (monovalent ions) and n is the length of the hybrid in base pairs (slightly modified from Meinkoth & Wahl (1984) *Anal. Biochem.* 138: 267-284).

In designing a hybridization experiment, some factors affecting nucleic acid hybridization can be conveniently altered. The temperature of the hybridization and washes and the salt concentration during the washes are the simplest to adjust. As the temperature of the hybridization increases (*ie.* stringency), it becomes less likely for hybridization to occur between strands that are nonhomologous, and as a result, background decreases. If the radiolabeled probe is not completely homologous with the immobilized fragment (as is frequently the case in gene family and interspecies hybridization experiments), the hybridization temperature must be reduced, and background will increase. The temperature of the washes affects the intensity of the hybridizing band and the degree of background in a similar manner. The stringency of the washes is also increased with decreasing salt concentrations.

In general, convenient hybridization temperatures in the presence of 50% formamide are 42°C for a probe with is 95% to 100% homologous to the target fragment, 37°C for 90% to 95% homology, and 32°C for 85% to 90% homology. For lower homologies, formamide content should be lowered and temperature adjusted accordingly, using the equation above. If the homology between the probe and the target fragment are not known, the simplest approach is to start with both hybridization and wash conditions which are nonstringent. If non-specific bands or high background are observed after autoradiography, the filter can be washed at high stringency and reexposed. If the time required for exposure makes this approach impractical, several hybridization and/or washing stringencies should be tested in parallel.

Nucleic Acid Probe Assays

Methods such as PCR, branched DNA probe assays, or blotting techniques utilizing nucleic acid probes according to the invention can determine the presence of cDNA or mRNA. A probe is said to "hybridize" with a sequence of the invention if it can form a duplex or double stranded complex, which is stable enough to be detected.

The nucleic acid probes will hybridize to the streptococcus nucleotide sequences of the invention (including both sense and antisense strands). Though many different nucleotide sequences will encode the amino acid sequence, the native streptococcus sequence is preferred because it is the actual sequence present in cells. mRNA represents a coding sequence and so a probe should be complementary to the coding sequence; single-stranded cDNA is complementary to mRNA, and so a cDNA probe should be complementary to the non-coding sequence.

The probe sequence need not be identical to the streptococcus sequence (or its complement) — some variation in the sequence and length can lead to increased assay sensitivity if the nucleic acid probe can form a duplex with target nucleotides, which can be detected. Also, the nucleic acid probe can include additional nucleotides to stabilize the formed duplex. Additional streptococcus sequence may also be helpful as a label to detect the formed duplex. For example, a non-complementary nucleotide sequence

may be attached to the 5' end of the probe, with the remainder of the probe sequence being complementary to a streptococcus sequence. Alternatively, non-complementary bases or longer sequences can be interspersed into the probe, provided that the probe sequence has sufficient complementarity with the a streptococcus sequence in order to hybridize therewith and thereby form a duplex which can be detected.

- 5 The exact length and sequence of the probe will depend on the hybridization conditions (*e.g.* temperature, salt condition *etc.*). For example, for diagnostic applications, depending on the complexity of the analyte sequence, the nucleic acid probe typically contains at least 10-20 nucleotides, preferably 15-25, and more preferably at least 30 nucleotides, although it may be shorter than this. Short primers generally require cooler temperatures to form sufficiently stable hybrid complexes with the template.

- 10 Probes may be produced by synthetic procedures, such as the triester method of Matteucci *et al.* [*J. Am. Chem. Soc.* (1981) 103:3185], or according to Urdea *et al.* [*Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* (1983) 80: 7461], or using commercially available automated oligonucleotide synthesizers.

- 15 The chemical nature of the probe can be selected according to preference. For certain applications, DNA or RNA are appropriate. For other applications, modifications may be incorporated *eg.* backbone modifications, such as phosphorothioates or methylphosphonates, can be used to increase *in vivo* half-life, alter RNA affinity, increase nuclease resistance *etc.* [*eg.* see Agrawal & Iyer (1995) *Curr Opin Biotechnol* 6:12-19; Agrawal (1996) *TIBTECH* 14:376-387]; analogues such as peptide nucleic acids may also be used [*eg.* see Corey (1997) *TIBTECH* 15:224-229; Buchardt *et al.* (1993) *TIBTECH* 11:384-386].

- 20 Alternatively, the polymerase chain reaction (PCR) is another well-known means for detecting small amounts of target nucleic acid. The assay is described in Mullis *et al.* [*Meth. Enzymol.* (1987) 155:335-350] & US patents 4,683,195 & 4,683,202. Two "primer" nucleotides hybridize with the target nucleic acids and are used to prime the reaction. The primers can comprise sequence that does not hybridize to the sequence of the amplification target (or its complement) to aid with duplex stability or, for example, to incorporate a convenient restriction site. Typically, such sequence will flank the desired streptococcus sequence.

- 25 A thermostable polymerase creates copies of target nucleic acids from the primers using the original target nucleic acids as a template. After a threshold amount of target nucleic acids are generated by the polymerase, they can be detected by more traditional methods, such as Southern blots. When using the Southern blot method, the labelled probe will hybridize to the streptococcus sequence (or its complement).

- 30 Also, mRNA or cDNA can be detected by traditional blotting techniques described in Sambrook *et al* [*supra*]. mRNA, or cDNA generated from mRNA using a polymerase enzyme, can be purified and separated using gel electrophoresis. The nucleic acids on the gel are then blotted onto a solid support, such as nitrocellulose. The solid support is exposed to a labelled probe and then washed to remove any unhybridized probe. Next, the duplexes containing the labeled probe are detected. Typically, the probe is labelled with a radioactive moiety.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

- 35 **Figures 1 to 85, 119 to 188, 238 and 239** show SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extracts from cultures of recombinant *E.coli* expressing GBS proteins of the invention. Lane 1 in each gel (except for Figure 185) contains molecular weight markers. These are 94, 67, 43, 30, 20.1 & 14.4 kDa (except for Figures 7, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15 and 119-170, which use 250, 150, 100, 75, 50, 37, 25, 15 & 10 kDa).

Figure 86A shows the pDEST15 vector and **Figure 86B** shows the pDEST17-1 vector.

Figures 88 to 118 and 247 to 319 show protein characterisation data for various proteins of the invention.

- 40 **Figures 189 to 237 and 240 to 246** show SDS-PAGE analysis of purified GBS proteins of the invention. The left-hand lane contains molecular weight markers. These are 94, 67, 43, 30, 20.1 & 14.4 kDa.

MODES FOR CARRYING OUT THE INVENTION

The following examples describe nucleic acid sequences which have been identified in *Streptococcus*, along with their inferred translation products. The examples are generally in the following format:

- a nucleotide sequence which has been identified in *Streptococcus*
- 5 • the inferred translation product of this sequence
- a computer analysis (*e.g.* PSORT output) of the translation product, indicating antigenicity

Most examples describe nucleotide sequences from *S.agalactiae*. The specific strain which was sequenced was from serotype V, and is a clinical strain isolated in Italy which expresses the R antigen (ISS/Rome/Italy collection, strain.2603 V/R). For several of these examples, the corresponding
10 sequences from *S.pyogenes* are also given. Where GBS and GAS show homology in this way, there is conservation between species which suggests an essential function and also gives good cross-species reactivity.

In contrast, several examples describe nucleotide sequences from GAS for which no homolog in GBS has been identified. This lack of homology gives molecules which are useful for distinguishing GAS
15 from GBS and for making GAS-specific products. The same is true for GBS sequences which lack GAS homologs *e.g.* these are useful for making GBS-specific products.

The examples typically include details of homology to sequences in the public databases. Proteins that are similar in sequence are generally similar in both structure and function, and the homology often indicates a common evolutionary origin. Comparison with sequences of proteins of known function is
20 widely used as a guide for the assignment of putative protein function to a new sequence and has proved particularly useful in whole-genome analyses.

Various tests can be used to assess the *in vivo* immunogenicity of the proteins identified in the examples. For example, the proteins can be expressed recombinantly and used to screen patient sera by immunoblot. A positive reaction between the protein and patient serum indicates that the patient has
25 previously mounted an immune response to the protein in question *i.e.* the protein is an immunogen. This method can also be used to identify immunodominant proteins. The mouse model used in the examples can also be used.

The recombinant protein can also be conveniently used to prepare antibodies *e.g.* in a mouse. These can be used for direct confirmation that a protein is located on the cell-surface. Labelled antibody (*e.g.*
30 fluorescent labelling for FACS) can be incubated with intact bacteria and the presence of label on the bacterial surface confirms the location of the protein.

For many GBS proteins, the following data are given:

- SDS-PAGE analysis of total recombinant *E.coli* cell extracts for GBS protein expression
- SDS-PAGE analysis after the protein purification

- Western-blot analysis of GBS total cell extract using antisera raised against recombinant proteins
- FACS and ELISA analysis against GBS using antisera raised against recombinant proteins
- Results of the *in vivo* passive protection assay

Details of experimental techniques used are presented below:

5 *Sequence analysis*

Open reading frames (ORFs) within nucleotide sequences were predicted using the GLIMMER program [Salzberg *et al.* (1998) *Nucleic Acids Res* 26:544-8]. Where necessary, start codons were modified and corrected manually on the basis of the presence of ribosome-binding sites and promoter regions on the upstream DNA sequence.

- 10 ORFs were then screened against the non-redundant protein databases using the programs BLASTp [Altschul *et al.* (1990) *J. Mol. Biol.* 215:403-410] and PRAZE, a modification of the Smith-Waterman algorithm [Smith & Waterman (1981) *J Mol Biol* 147:195-7; see Fleischmann *et al* (1995) *Science* 269:496-512].

- 15 Leader peptides within the ORFs were located using three different approaches: (i) PSORT [Nakai (1991) *Bull. Inst. Chem. Res., Kyoto Univ.* 69:269-291; Horton & Nakai (1996) *Intellig. Syst. Mol. Biol.* 4:109-115; Horton & Nakai (1997) *Intellig. Syst. Mol. Biol.* 5:147-152]; (ii) SignalP [Nielsen & Krogh (1998) in *Proceedings of the Sixth International Conference on Intelligent Systems for Molecular Biology (ISMB 6)*, AAAI Press, Menlo Park, California, pp. 122-130; Nielsen *et al.* (1999) *Protein Engineering* 12:3-9; Nielsen *et al.* (1997). *Int. J. Neural Sys.* 8:581-599]; and (iii) visual inspection of the
- 20 ORF sequences. Where a signal sequences is given a "possible site" value, the value represents the C-terminus residue of the signal peptide *e.g.* a "possible site" of 26 means that the signal sequence consists of amino acids 1-26.

- 25 Lipoprotein-specific signal peptides were located using three different approaches: (i) PSORT [see above]; (ii) the "prokaryotic membrane lipoprotein lipid attachment site" PROSITE motif [Hofmann *et al.* (1999) *Nucleic Acids Res.* 27:215-219; Bucher & Bairoch (1994) in *Proceedings 2nd International Conference on Intelligent Systems for Molecular Biology (ISMB-94)*, AAAI Press, pages 53-61]; and (iii) the FINDPATTERNS program available in the GCG Wisconsin Package, using the pattern

(M, L, V) x {9, 35} LxxxCx.

- 30 Transmembrane domains were located using two approaches: (i) PSORT [see above]; (ii) TopPred [von Heijne (1992) *J. Mol. Biol.* 225:487-494].

LPXTG motifs, characteristic of cell-wall attached proteins in Gram-positive bacteria [Fischetti *et al.* (1990) *Mol Microbiol* 4:1603-5] were located with FINDPATTERNS using the pattern (L, I, V, M, Y, F) Px (T, A, S, G) (G, N, S, T, A, L).

RGD motifs, characteristic of cell-adhesion molecules [D'Souza *et al.* (1991) *Trends Biochem Sci* 16:246-50] were located using FINDPATTERNS.

Enzymes belonging to the glycolytic pathway were also selected as antigens, because these have been found experimentally expressed on the surface of *Streptococci* [e.g. Pancholi & Fischetti (1992) *J Exp Med* 176:415-26; Pancholi & Fischetti (1998) *J Biol Chem* 273:14503-15].

Cloning, expression and purification of proteins

GBS genes were cloned to facilitate expression in *E.coli* as two different types of fusion proteins:

- a) proteins having a hexa-histidine tag at the amino-terminus (His-gbs)
- b) proteins having a GST fusion partner at the amino-terminus (Gst-gbs)

10 Cloning was performed using the Gateway™ technology (Life Technologies), which is based on the site-specific recombination reactions that mediate integration and excision of phage lambda into and from the *E.coli* genome. A single cloning experiment included the following steps:

- 1- Amplification of GBS chromosomal DNA to obtain a PCR product coding for a single ORF flanked by *attB* recombination sites.
- 15 2- Insertion of the PCR product into a pDONR vector (containing *attP* sites) through a BP reaction (*attB* x *attP* sites). This reaction gives a so called 'pEntry' vector, which now contains *attL* sites flanking the insert.
- 3- Insertion of the GBS gene into *E.coli* expression vectors (pDestination vectors, containing *attR* sites) through a LR reaction between pEntry and pDestination plasmids (*attL* x *attR* sites).

20 ***A) Chromosomal DNA preparation***

For chromosomal DNA preparation, GBS strain 2603 V/R (Istituto Superiore Sanità, Rome) was grown to exponential phase in 2 litres TH Broth (Difco) at 37°C, harvested by centrifugation, and dissolved in 40 ml TES (50 mM Tris pH 8, 5 mM EDTA pH 8, 20% sucrose). After addition of 2.5 ml lysozyme solution (25 mg/ml in TES) and 0.5 ml mutanolysin (Sigma M-9901, 25000U/ml in H₂O), the suspension
25 was incubated at 37°C for 1 hour. 1 ml RNase (20 mg/ml) and 0.1 ml proteinase K (20 mg/ml) were added and incubation was continued for 30 min. at 37°C.

Cell lysis was obtained by adding 5 ml sarkosyl solution (10% N-laurylsarcosine in 250 mM EDTA pH 8.0), and incubating 1 hour at 37°C with frequent inversion. After sequential extraction with phenol, phenol-chloroform and chloroform, DNA was precipitated with 0.3M sodium acetate pH 5.2 and 2
30 volumes of absolute ethanol. The DNA pellet was rinsed with 70% ethanol and dissolved in TE buffer (10 mM Tris-HCl, 1 mM EDTA, pH 8). DNA concentration was evaluated by OD₂₆₀.

B) Oligonucleotide design

Synthetic oligonucleotide primers were designed on the basis of the coding sequence of each ORF. The aim was to express the protein's extracellular region. Accordingly, predicted signal peptides were omitted (by deducing the 5' end amplification primer sequence immediately downstream from the predicted leader sequence) and C-terminal cell-wall anchoring regions were removed (e.g. LPXTG motifs and downstream amino acids). Where additional nucleotides have been deleted, this is indicated by the suffix 'd' (e.g. 'GBS352d' – see Table V). Conversely, a suffix 'L' refers to expression without these deletions. Deletions of C- or N-terminal residues were also sometimes made, as indicated by a 'C' or 'N' suffix.

- 10 The amino acid sequences of the expressed GBS proteins (including 'd' and 'L' forms *etc.*) are definitively defined by the sequences of the oligonucleotide primers given in Table II.

5' tails of forward primers and 3' tails of reverse primers included *attB1* and *attB2* sites respectively:

Forward primers: 5'-GGGGACAAGTTTGTACAAAAAGCAGGCTCT-ORF in frame-3' (the TCT sequence preceding the ORF was omitted when the ORF's first coding triplet began with T).

- 15 **Reverse primers:** 5'-GGGGACCACTTTGTACAAGAAAGCTGGGTT-ORF reverse complement-3'.

The number of nucleotides which hybridized to the sequence to be amplified depended on the melting temperature of the primers, which was determined as described by Breslauer *et al.* [*PNAS USA* (1986) 83:3746-50]. The average melting temperature of the selected oligos was 50-55°C for the hybridizing region and 80-85°C for the whole oligos.

20 C) Amplification

The standard PCR protocol was as follows: 50 ng genomic DNA were used as template in the presence of 0.5 µM each primer, 200 µM each dNTP, 1.5 mM MgCl₂, 1x buffer minus Mg⁺⁺ (Gibco-BRL) and 2 units of Taq DNA polymerase (Platinum Taq, Gibco-BRL) in a final volume of 100 µl. Each sample underwent a double-step of amplification: 5 cycles performed using as the hybridizing temperature 50°C, followed by 25 cycles at 68°C.

The standard cycles were as follows:

Denaturation: 94°C, 2 min

5 cycles: Denaturation: 94°C, 30 seconds

Hybridization: 50°C, 50 seconds

30 Elongation: 72°C, 1 min. or 2 min. and 40 sec.

25 cycles : Denaturation: 94°C, 30 seconds

Hybridization: 68°C, 50 seconds

Elongation: 72°C, 1 min. or 2 min. and 40 sec.

Elongation time was 1 minute for ORFs shorter than 2000bp and 2:40 minutes for ORFs longer than 2000bp. Amplifications were performed using a Gene Amp PCR system 9600 (Perkin Elmer).

5 To check amplification results, 2 μ l of each PCR product were loaded onto 1-1.5 agarose gel and the size of amplified fragments was compared with DNA molecular weight standards (DNA marker IX Roche, 1kb DNA ladder Biolabs).

10 Single band PCR products were purified by PEG precipitation: 300 μ l of TE buffer and 200 μ l of 30% PEG 8000/30 mM MgCl₂ were added to 100 μ l PCR reaction. After vortexing, the DNA was centrifuged for 20 min at 10000g, washed with 1 vol. 70% ethanol and the pellet dissolved in 30 μ l TE. PCR products smaller than 350 bp were purified using a PCR purification Kit (Qiagen) and eluted with 30 μ l of the provided elution buffer.

In order to evaluate the yield, 2 μ l of the purified DNA were subjected to agarose gel electrophoresis and compared to titrated molecular weight standards.

D) Cloning of PCR products into expression vectors

15 Cloning was performed following the GatewayTM technology's "one-tube protocol", which consists of a two step reaction (BP and LR) for direct insertion of PCR products into expression vectors.

BP reaction (*attB* x *attP* sites): The reaction allowed insertion of the PCR product into a pDONR vector. The pDONRTM 201 vector we used contains the killer toxin gene *ccdB* between *attP1* and *attP2* sites to minimize background colonies lacking the PCR insert, and a selectable marker gene for kanamycin resistance. The reaction resulted in a so called pEntry vector, in which the GBS gene was located between *attL1* and *attL2* sites.

60 fmol of PCR product and 100 ng of pDONRTM 201 vector were incubated with 2.5 μ l of BP clonaseTM in a final volume of 12.5 μ l for 4 hours at 25°C.

25 **LR reaction** (*attL* x *attR* sites): The reaction allowed the insertion of the GBS gene, now present in the pEntry vector, into *E.coli* expression vectors (pDestination vectors, containing *attR* sites). Two pDestination vectors were used (pDEST15 for N- terminal GST fusions – Figure 86; and pDEST17-1 for N-terminal His-tagged fusions – Figure 87). Both allow transcription of the ORF fusion coding mRNA under T7 RNA polymerase promoter [Studier *et al* (1990) *Meth. Enzymol* 185: 60ff].

30 To 5 μ l of BP reaction were added 0.25 μ l of 0.75 M NaCl, 100 ng of destination vector and 1.5 μ l of LR clonaseTM. The reaction was incubated at 25°C for 2 hours and stopped with 1 μ l of 1 mg/ml proteinase K solution at 37°C for 15 min.

1 μ l of the completed reaction was used to transform 50 μ l electrocompetent BL21-SITM cells (0.1 cm, 200 ohms, 25 μ F). BL21-SI cells contain an integrated T7 RNA polymerase gene under the control of the salt-inducible *prU* promoter [Gowrishankar (1985) *J. Bacteriol.* 164:434ff]. After electroporation cells were diluted in 1ml SOC medium (20 g/l bacto-tryptone, 5 g/l yeast extract, 0.58 g/l NaCl, 0.186 g/l
5 KCl, 20 mM glucose, 10 mM MgCl₂) and incubated at 37°C for 1 hour. 200 μ l cells were plated onto LBON plates (Luria Broth medium without NaCl) containing 100 μ g/ml ampicillin. Plates were then incubated for 16 hours at 37°C.

Entry clones: In order to allow the future preparation of Gateway compatible pEntry plasmids containing genes which might turn out of interest after immunological assays, 2.5 μ l of BP reaction were
10 incubated for 15 min in the presence of 3 μ l 0.15 mg/ml proteinase K solution and then kept at -20°C. The reaction was in this way available to transform *E.coli* competent cells so as to produce Entry clones for future introduction of the genes in other Destination vectors.

E) Protein expression

Single colonies derived from the transformation of LR reactions were inoculated as small-scale cultures
15 in 3 ml LBON 100 μ g/ml ampicillin for overnight growth at 25°C. 50-200 μ l of the culture was inoculated in 3 ml LBON/Amp to an initial OD₆₀₀ of 0.1. The cultures were grown at 37°C until OD₆₀₀ 0.4-0.6 and recombinant protein expression was induced by adding NaCl to a final concentration of 0.3 M. After 2 hour incubation the final OD was checked and the cultures were cooled on ice. 0.5 OD₆₀₀ of cells were harvested by centrifugation. The cell pellet was suspended in 50 μ l of protein Loading Sample Buffer (50
20 mM TRIS-HCl pH 6.8, 0.5% w/v SDS, 2.5% v/v glycerol, 0.05% w/v Bromophenol Blue, 100 mM DTT) and incubated at 100 °C for 5 min. 10 μ l of sample was analyzed by SDS-PAGE and Coomassie Blue staining to verify the presence of induced protein band.

F) Purification of the recombinant proteins

Single colonies were inoculated in 25 ml LBON 100 μ g/ml ampicillin and grown at 25°C overnight. The
25 overnight culture was inoculated in 500 ml LBON/amp and grown under shaking at 25 °C until OD₆₀₀ values of 0.4-0.6. Protein expression was then induced by adding NaCl to a final concentration of 0.3 M. After 3 hours incubation at 25 °C the final OD₆₀₀ was checked and the cultures were cooled on ice. After centrifugation at 6000 rpm (JA10 rotor, Beckman) for 20 min., the cell pellet was processed for purification or frozen at -20 °C.

30 Proteins were purified in 1 of 3 ways depending on the fusion partner and the protein's solubility:

Purification of soluble His-tagged proteins from *E.coli*

1. Transfer pellets from -20°C to ice bath and reconstitute each pellet with 10 ml B-PERTM solution (Bacterial-Protein Extraction Reagent, Pierce cat. 78266), 10 μ l of a 100 mM MgCl₂ solution, 50

- μl of DNase I (Sigma D-4263, 100 Kunits in PBS) and 100 μl of 100 mg/ml lysozyme in PBS (Sigma L-7651, final concentration 1 mg/ml).
2. Transfer resuspended pellets in 50 ml centrifuge tubes and leave at room temperature for 30-40 minutes, vortexing 3-4 times.
 - 5 3. Centrifuge 15-20 minutes at about 30-40000 x g.
 4. Prepare Poly-Prep (Bio-Rad) columns containing 1 ml of Fast Flow Ni-activated Chelating Sepharose (Pharmacia). Equilibrate with 50 mM phosphate buffer, 300 mM NaCl, pH 8.0.
 5. Store the pellet at -20°C, and load the supernatant on to the columns.
 6. Discard the flow through.
 - 10 7. Wash with 10 ml 20 mM imidazole buffer, 50 mM phosphate, 300 mM NaCl, pH 8.0.
 8. Elute the proteins bound to the columns with 4.5 ml (1.5 ml + 1.5 ml + 1.5 ml) 250 mM imidazole buffer, 50 mM phosphate, 300 mM NaCl, pH 8.0 and collect three fractions of ~1.5 ml each. Add to each tube 15 μl DTT 200 mM (final concentration 2 mM).
 9. Measure the protein concentration of the collected fractions with the Bradford method and analyse
15 the proteins by SDS-PAGE.
 10. Store the collected fractions at +4°C while waiting for the results of the SDS-PAGE analysis.
 11. For immunisation prepare 4-5 aliquots of 20-100 μg each in 0.5 ml in 40% glycerol. The dilution buffer is the above elution buffer, plus 2 mM DTT. Store the aliquots at -20°C until immunisation.

Purification of His-tagged proteins from inclusion bodies

- 20 1. Bacteria are collected from 500 ml cultures by centrifugation. If required store bacterial pellets at -20°C. Transfer the pellets from -20°C to room temperature and reconstitute each pellet with 10 ml B-PER™ solution, 10 μl of a 100 mM MgCl₂ solution (final 1 mM), 50 μl of DNase I equivalent to 100 Kunits units in PBS and 100 μl of a 100 mg/ml lysozyme (Sigma L-7651) solution in PBS (equivalent to 10 mg, final concentration 1 mg/ml).
- 25 2. Transfer the resuspended pellets in 50 ml centrifuge tubes and let at room temperature for 30-40 minutes, vortexing 3-4 times.
3. Centrifuge 15 minutes at 30-4000 x g and collect the pellets.
4. Dissolve the pellets with 50 mM TRIS-HCl, 1 mM TCEP {Tris(2-carboxyethyl)-phosphine hydrochloride, Pierce} , 6M guanidine hydrochloride, pH 8.5. Stir for ~ 10 min. with a magnetic
30 bar.
5. Centrifuge as described above, and collect the supernatant.
6. Prepare Poly-Prep (Bio-Rad) columns containing 1 ml of Fast Flow Ni-activated Chelating Sepharose (Pharmacia). Wash the columns twice with 5 ml of H₂O and equilibrate with 50 mM TRIS-HCl, 1 mM TCEP, 6M guanidine hydrochloride, pH 8.5.

7. Load the supernatants from step 5 onto the columns, and wash with 5 ml of 50 mM TRIS-HCl buffer, 1 mM TCEP, 6M urea, pH 8.5
8. Wash the columns with 10 ml of 20 mM imidazole, 50 mM TRIS-HCl, 6M urea, 1 mM TCEP, pH 8.5. Collect and set aside the first 5 ml for possible further controls.
- 5 9. Elute proteins bound to columns with 4.5ml buffer containing 250 mM imidazole, 50 mM TRIS-HCl, 6M urea, 1 mM TCEP, pH 8.5. Add the elution buffer in three 1.5 ml aliquots, and collect the corresponding three fractions. Add to each fraction 15 µl DTT (final concentration 2 mM).
- 10 10. Measure eluted protein concentration with Bradford method and analyse proteins by SDS-PAGE.
11. Dialyse overnight the selected fraction against 50 mM Na phosphate buffer, pH 8.8, containing 10% glycerol, 0.5 M arginine, 5 mM reduced glutathione, 0.5 mM oxidized glutathione, 2 M urea.
12. Dialyse against 50 mM Na phosphate buffer, pH 8.8, containing 10% glycerol, 0.5 M arginine, 5 mM reduced glutathione, 0.5 mM oxidized glutathione.
13. Clarify the dialysed protein preparation by centrifugation and discard the non-soluble material and measure the protein concentration with the Bradford method.
- 15 14. For each protein destined to the immunization prepare 4-5 aliquot of 20-100 µg each in 0.5 ml after having adjusted the glycerol content up to 40%. Store the prepared aliquots at -20° C until immunization.

Purification of GST-fusion proteins from *E.coli*

- 20 1. Bacteria are collected from 500 ml cultures by centrifugation. If required store bacterial pellets at -20°C. Transfer the pellets from -20°C to room temperature and reconstitute each pellet with 10 ml B-PER™ solution, 10 µl of a 100 mM MgCl₂ solution (final 1 mM), 50 µl of DNase I equivalent to 100 Kunits units in PBS and 100 µl of a 100 mg/ml lysozyme (Sigma L-7651) solution in PBS (equivalent to 10 mg, final concentration 1 mg/ml).
- 25 2. Transfer the resuspended pellets in 50 ml centrifuge tubes and let at room temperature for 30-40 minutes, vortexing 3-4 times.
3. Centrifuge 15-20 minutes at about 30-40000 x g.
4. Discard centrifugation pellets and load supernatants onto the chromatography columns, as follows.
5. Prepare Poly-Prep (Bio-Rad) columns containing 0.5 ml of Glutathione-Sepharose 4B resin. Wash the columns twice with 1 ml of H₂O and equilibrate with 10 ml PBS, pH 7.4.
- 30 6. Load supernatants on to the columns and discard the flow through.
7. Wash the columns with 10 ml PBS, pH 7.4.
8. Elute proteins bound to columns with 4.5 ml of 50 mM TRIS buffer, 10 mM reduced glutathione, pH 8.0, adding 1.5 ml + 1.5 ml + 1.5 ml and collecting the respective 3 fractions of ~1.5 ml each.

9. Measure protein concentration of the fractions with the Bradford method and analyse the proteins by SDS-PAGE.
10. Store the collected fractions at +4°C while waiting for the results of the SDS-PAGE analysis.
11. For each protein destined for immunisation prepare 4-5 aliquots of 20-100 µg each in 0.5 ml of
5 40% glycerol. The dilution buffer is 50 mM TRIS-HCl, 2 mM DTT, pH 8.0. Store the aliquots at
-20°C until immunisation.

Figures 167 to 170 and 238 to 239

For the experiments shown in Figures 167 to 170, Figure 238 and lanes 2-6 of Figure 239, the GBS proteins were fused at the N-terminus to thioredoxin and at C-terminus to a poly-His tail. The plasmid
10 used for cloning is pBAD-DEST49 (Invitrogen Gateway™ technology) and expression is under the control of an L(+)-Arabinose dependent promoter. For the production of these GBS antigens, bacteria are grown on RM medium (6g/l Na₂HPO₄, 3g/l KH₂PO₄, 0.5 g/l NaCl, 1 g/l NH₄Cl, pH7.4, 2% casaminoacids, 0.2 % glucose, 1 mM MgCl₂) containing 100 µg/ml ampicillin. After incubation at 37°C until cells reach OD₆₀₀=0.5, protein expression is induced by adding 0.2% (v/v) L(+)-Arabinose for 3
15 hours.

Immunisations with GBS proteins

The purified proteins were used to immunise groups of four CD-1 mice intraperitoneally. 20 µg of each purified protein was injected in Freund's adjuvant at days 1, 21 & 35. Immune responses were monitored by using samples taken on day 0 & 49. Sera were analysed as pools of sera from each group
20 of mice.

FACScan bacteria Binding Assay procedure.

GBS serotype V 2603 V/R strain was plated on TSA blood agar plates and incubated overnight at 37°C. Bacterial colonies were collected from the plates using a sterile dracon swab and inoculated into 100ml Todd Hewitt Broth. Bacterial growth was monitored every 30 minutes by following OD₆₀₀. Bacteria were
25 grown until OD₆₀₀ = 0.7-0.8. The culture was centrifuged for 20 minutes at 5000rpm. The supernatant was discarded and bacteria were washed once with PBS, resuspended in ½ culture volume of PBS containing 0.05% paraformaldehyde, and incubated for 1 hour at 37°C and then overnight at 4°C.

50µl bacterial cells (OD₆₀₀ 0.1) were washed once with PBS and resuspended in 20µl blocking serum (Newborn Calf Serum, Sigma) and incubated for 20 minutes at room temperature. The cells were then
30 incubated with 100µl diluted sera (1:200) in dilution buffer (20% Newborn Calf Serum 0.1% BSA in PBS) for 1 hour at 4°C. Cells were centrifuged at 5000rpm, the supernatant aspirated and cells washed by adding 200µl washing buffer (0.1% BSA in PBS). 50µl R-Phicoerytrin conjugated F(ab)₂ goat anti-mouse, diluted 1:100 in dilution buffer, was added to each sample and incubated for 1 hour at 4°C. Cells were spun down by centrifugation at 5000rpm and washed by adding 200µl of washing buffer. The

supernatant was aspirated and cells resuspended in 200 μ l PBS. Samples were transferred to FACScan tubes and read. The condition for FACScan setting were: FL2 on; FSC-H threshold:54; FSC PMT Voltage: E 02; SSC PMT: 516; Amp. Gains 2.63; FL-2 PMT: 728. Compensation values: 0.

Samples were considered as positive if they had a Δ mean values > 50 channel values.

5 *Whole Extracts preparation*

GBS serotype III COH1 strain and serotype V 2603 V/R strain cells were grown overnight in Todd Hewitt Broth. 1ml of the culture was inoculated into 100ml Todd Hewitt Broth. Bacterial growth was monitored every 30 minutes by following OD₆₀₀. The bacteria were grown until the OD reached 0.7-0.8. The culture was centrifuged for 20 minutes at 5000 rpm. The supernatant was discarded and bacteria
10 were washed once with PBS, resuspended in 2ml 50mM Tris-HCl, pH 6.8 adding 400 units of Mutanolysin (Sigma-Aldrich) and incubated 3 hrs at 37°C. After 3 cycles of freeze/thaw, cellular debris were removed by centrifugation at 14000g for 15 minutes and the protein concentration of the supernatant was measured by the Bio-Rad Protein assay, using BSA as a standard.

Western blotting

15 Purified proteins (50ng) and total cell extracts (25 μ g) derived from GBS serotype III COH1 strain and serotype V 2603 V/R strain were loaded on 12% or 15% SDS-PAGE and transferred to a nitrocellulose membrane. The transfer was performed for 1 hours at 100V at 4°C, in transferring buffer (25mM Tris base, 192mM glycine, 20% methanol). The membrane was saturated by overnight incubation at 4°C in saturation buffer (5 % skimmed milk, 0.1% Tween 20 in PBS). The membrane was incubated for 1 hour
20 at room temperature with 1:1000 mouse sera diluted in saturation buffer. The membrane was washed twice with washing buffer (3 % skimmed milk, 0.1% Tween 20 in PBS) and incubated for 1 hour with a 1:5000 dilution of horseradish peroxidase labelled anti-mouse Ig (Bio-Rad). The membrane was washed twice with 0.1% Tween 20 in PBS and developed with the Opti-4CN Substrate Kit (Bio-Rad). The reaction was stopped by adding water.

25 Unless otherwise indicated, lanes 1, 2 and 3 of blots in the drawings are: (1) the purified protein; (2) GBS-III extracts; and (3) GBS-V extracts. Molecular weight markers are also shown.

In vivo passive protection assay in neonatal sepsis mouse model.

The immune sera collected from the CD1 immunized mice were tested in a mouse neonatal sepsis model to verify their protective efficacy in mice challenged with GBS serotype III. Newborn Balb/C littermates
30 were randomly divided in two groups within 24 hrs from birth and injected subcutaneously with 25 μ l of diluted sera (1:15) from immunized CD1 adult mice. One group received preimmune sera, the other received immune sera. Four hours later all pups were challenged with a 75% lethal dose of the GBS serotype III COH1 strain. The challenge dose obtained diluting a mid log phase culture was administered subcutaneously in 25 μ l of saline. The number of pups surviving GBS infection was assessed every 12
35 hours for 4 days. Results are in Table III.

Example 1

A DNA sequence (GBSx1402) was identified in *S.galactiae* <SEQ ID 1> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 2>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 27
5  >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -0.48    Transmembrane 169 - 185 ( 169 - 185)

----- Final Results -----
10      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1192(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database.

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15  >GP:CAB88235 GB:AL353012 hypothetical serine-rich repeat protein
    [Schizosaccharomyces pombe]
    Identities = 41/152 (26%), Positives = 75/152 (48%), Gaps = 4/152 (2%)

Query: 22  SSIGYADTSDKNTDTSVVTTTLSEEKRSDELDQSSTGSSSENESSSSSEPETNPSTNPPT 81
          SS  +++S +++D+S  ++    E  S+  D SS+ SSSE+ESSS    ++ S++  +
20  Sbjct: 132 SSDSESESSSEDSDSSSSSDSESESSSEGSDDSSSSSSSESESSSEDNDSSSSSDSES 191

Query: 82  TEPSQPSPSEENKPDGRKTE---IGNNKDISSGTVLISEDSEIKNFSKASSDQEEVDRD 138
          S+ S S  + D  +++    ++  SS    SED+  + S + S+ E  D
25  Sbjct: 192 ESSSEDSDSSSSSDSESESSSEGSDDSSSSSSSESESSSEDNDSSSSSDSESESSSED 251

Query: 139 ESSSKANDGK-KGHSKPKKELPKTGDSDSHSDT 169
          SSS ++D + +  SK      + DS  D+
30  Sbjct: 252 SDSSSSSDSESESSSKDSDSSSNSSDSEDD 283

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30 There is also homology to SEQ ID 1984.

A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8785> and protein <SEQ ID 8786> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Lipop: Possible site: -1    Crend: 5
McG: Discrim Score:      6.72
35  GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -4.34
    Possible site: 27
    >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
    ALOM program    count: 1 value: -0.48 threshold: 0.0
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -0.48    Transmembrane 169 - 185 ( 169 - 185)
40  PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 0.16      7
    modified ALOM score: 0.60

*** Reasoning Step: 3

45  ----- Final Results -----
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1192(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

50  LPXTG motif: 159-163

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55 SEQ ID 2 (GBS4) was expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 9 (lane 3; MW 43.1kDa) and Figure 63 (lane 4; MW 50kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 12 (lane 7; MW 30kDa), Figure 63 (lane 3; MW 30kDa) and in Figure 178 (lane 3; MW 30kDa).

GBS4-GST was purified as shown in Figure 190 (lane 6) and Figure 209 (lane 8).

Purified GBS4-His is shown in Figures 89A, 191 (lane 10), 209 (lane 7) and 228 (lanes 9 & 10).

The purified GBS4-His fusion product was used to immunise mice (lane 2 product; 20µg/mouse). The resulting antiserum was used for Western blot (Figure 89B), FACS, and in the *in vivo* passive protection assay (Table III). These tests confirm that the protein is immunoaccessible on GBS bacteria and that it is an effective protective immunogen.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 2

A DNA sequence (GBSx1100) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 3> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 4>. This protein is predicted to be aggregation promoting protein. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 33
>>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.

----- Final Results -----
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.3000(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database.

>GP:CAA69725 GB:Y08498 aggregation promoting protein [Lactobacillus gasserii]
Identities = 56/103 (54%), Positives = 69/103 (66%), Gaps = 5/103 (4%)

Query: 82 TASQAEAKSQPT-----IENSMNSSSNLSSSDSAAKEEIARRESNGSYTAQNGQYIGRYQ 136
T S A A+ Q T + + + + N S S++AAK +A RES G Y+A NGQY G+YQ
Sbjct: 195 TYSYASAKQQTITQVAQKTQTITTSYTLNASGSEAAKAWMAGRESGGPYSGNGQYIGKYQ 254

Query: 137 LSQSYLNGDLSPENQEKVADNYVVSRYGWSAALSFWNSNGWY 179
LS SYL GD S NQE+VADNYV SRYGSW+ A FW +NGWY
Sbjct: 255 LSASYLGGDYSAANQERVADNYVKSRYGSWTGAQKFWQTNNGWY 297

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8709> and protein <SEQ ID 8710> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Lipop: Possible site: -1 Crend: 9
McG: Discrim Score: 2.59
GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -0.42
Possible site: 33
>>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.
ALOM program count: 0 value: 6.79 threshold: 0.0
PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 6.79 59
modified ALOM score: -1.86

*** Reasoning Step: 3

----- Final Results -----
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.3000(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

57.5/71.3% over 92aa
Lactobacillus gasserii

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EGAD|154417| aggregation promoting protein Insert characterized
GP|1619598|emb|CAA69725.1||Y08498 aggregation promoting protein Insert characterized

ORF01056(547 - 837 of 1137)
5 EGAD|154417|164788(205 - 297 of 297) aggregation promoting protein {Lactobacillus
gasser}|GP|1619598|emb|CAA69725.1||Y08498 aggregat
ion promoting protein {Lactobacillus gasser}|
%Match = 14.6
%Identity = 57.4 %Similarity = 71.3
10 Matches = 54 Mismatches = 26 Conservative Sub.s = 13

507      537      567      597      627      657      687      717
SLNSISNADVISIGDVLKLDNSTASQAEAKSOPTIENSMNSSSNLSSSDSAAKEEIARRESNGSYTAQNGQYYGRYQLSQ
::      :|      :}      |:|      ::|      |::||      :|      |||      |:|      |||      |:|
15 NVQRTYSAPVQQRTYSYASAQKQTTQVAQKQTQTTTSYTLNASG----SEAAAKAWMAGRESGGFPYSAGNGQYIKGYQLSA
200      210      220      230      240      250

747      777      807      837      867      897      927      957
SYLNGDLSPENQEKVADNVVVSRYGWSAALSFWNSNGWY**KLIKQRDLLKIKSLCNIFNIYSIAR*QIKYNIGNMNR
|||      ||      |||:||||      |||||:      ||      :|||
20 SYLGGDYSAANQERVADNVYKSRYGSWTGAQKFWQINGWY
270      280      290

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A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8711> and protein <SEQ ID 8712> were also identified. Analysis of this
25 protein sequence reveals the following:

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Lipop: Possible site: -1      Crend: 9
McG: Discrim Score:          2.59
GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -0.42
    Possible site: 33
30 >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.
ALOM program   count: 0 value:  6.79 threshold:  0.0
    PERIPHERAL Likelihood =  6.79      59
    modified ALOM score:  -1.86

35 *** Reasoning Step: 3

----- Final Results -----
    bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.3000(Affirmative) < succ>
    bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
40 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

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44.0/62.0% over 115aa
Bacillus subtilis
45      EGAD|108478| hypothetical protein Insert characterized OMNI|NT01BS1100 p60-related
protein Insert characterized
      GP|2226145|emb|CAA74437.1||Y14079 hypothetical protein Insert characterized
      GP|2633272|emb|CAB12776.1||Z99109 similar to cell wall-binding protein Insert
characterized
50      PIR|B69825|B69825 cell wall-binding protein homolog yhdD - Insert characterized

ORF01746(340 - 633 of 954)
EGAD|108478|BS0936(57 - 172 of 488) hypothetical protein {Bacillus subtilis}OMNI|NT01BS1100
p60-related proteinGP|2226145|emb|CAA74437.1||Y14079 hypothetical protein {Bacillus
55 subtilis}GP|2633272|emb|CAB12776.1||Z99109 similar to cell wall-binding protein {Bacillus
subtilis}PIR|B69825|B69825 cell wall-binding protein homolog yhdD - Bacillus subtilis
%Match = 9.0
%Identity = 44.0 %Similarity = 62.0
Matches = 44 Mismatches = 35 Conservative Sub.s = 18

60      120      150      180      210      240      270      300      330
      *DQFMVLAFSFI*CEKLN NFT*RK LKIVFWRPF LY*FTIYL* *ISSKAKQLVIFTRYDSTRIN**KRAYIMSITSVKKSK

MKKKLAAGLTASAIVGTTLVVTPAEAA TIKVKSGDSLWKLKLAQTYNTSVAALTS
65      10      20      30      40      50

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360 390 435 465 495 525
 PFKLGVAGLLVGASLALPLSVSAAS-----YTVKSGDITLSATAKNHKTTVQELVSLNSISNADVISIGDV
 | |:|:|:|:|:| |||||:| | | |||| ||:|:|:|
 5 ANHLSTTVLSIGQILTIPGSKSSSTSSTSSSTTMKSGSSVYTVKSGDSLWLIANEFKMTVQELKKLNGLS-SDLIRAGQK
 70 80 90 100 110 120 130

 543 573 603 633 663 693 723 753
 LKLD---NSTAQAEAKSQPTIENSMNSSSNLSSSDSAAKEEIAS*IKXVVILHRMDNIMEDINCLNLT*MATYLLKI
 10 ||: :::| ::| : :| ||| ||| |: : : | : : :
 LKVSGTVSSSSSSSKSNSNKSSSSSSSKSSSNKSSSSSSSTGTYYKVLGDLSLWKIANKVNMSIAELKVLNNLKSDTIYVN
 150 160 170 180 190 200 210

SEQ ID 8712 (GBS166) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell
15 extract is shown in Figure 30 (lane 2; MW 13.1kDa).

The GBS166-His fusion product was purified (Figure 200, lane 10) and used to immunise mice. The resulting antiserum was used for FACS (Figure 315), which confirmed that the protein is immunoaccessible on GBS bacteria.

SEQ ID 4 (GBS15) was expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell
20 extract is shown in Figure 9 (lane 5; MW 44.8kDa), Figure 63 (lane 5; MW 44.8kDa) and Figure 66 (lane 7;
MW 45kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell
extract is shown in Figure 10 (lane 4; MW 22.3kDa). It was also expressed as GBS15L, with SDS-PAGE
analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 185 (lane 1; MW 50kDa).

Purified GBS15-GST is shown in Figure 91A, Figure 190 (lane 9), Figure 210 (lane 4) and Figure 245
25 (lanes 4 & 5).

The purified GBS15-GST fusion product was used to immunise mice (lane 1 + 2 products; 20µg/mouse). The resulting antiserum was used for Western blot (Figure 91B), FACS (Figure 91C), and in the *in vivo* passive protection assay (Table III). These tests confirm that the protein is immunoaccessible on GBS bacteria and that it is an effective protective immunogen.

30 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 3

A DNA sequence (GBSx0091) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 303> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 304>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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35    Possible site: 32

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
      INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -9.66    Transmembrane    22 - 38 ( 15 - 41)

40    ----- Final Results -----
          bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4864(Affirmative) < succ>
          bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
          bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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45 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAA72096 GB:Y11213 hypothetical protein [Streptococcus thermophilus]
Identities = 149/274 (54%), Positives = 208/274 (75%), Gaps = 9/274 (3%)

Query: 23 FLVSLLLSFGIFSLIIPKSNP--KLTKKDFLTKKVIPLNYVALGDSLTEGVGDTTSOGGF 80

-44-

F + LL GI IIP S+ K++ K KK + YVA+GDSLT+GVGD+++QGGF
 Sbjct: 5 FFLFLFLFVGVGILIFIIIPSSHQSSKISDKIRSVKKE-KVTYVAIGDSLTQGVGDSSNQGGF 63

Query: 81 VPLLSESLHNRYSYQVTSVNYGVSGNTSQQILKRMTTDPQIEKDLEKADLLTLTVGGNDV 140
 VP+LS++L + +++QVT NYG++GNTS QILKRM I++DL+KA L+TLTVGGNDV
 Sbjct: 64 VPVLSQALESDFNWQVTPRNYGIAGNTSNQILKRMQEKKDIKRDLLKAKLMTLTVGGNDV 123

Query: 141 LAVIRKELSHLSLNSFEKPAEAYKERLKEILAKARQDNPKLPYVVLGIYNPFYLNFPQLT 200
 + VI+ +++L++N+F K A Y++RL++I+ AR++N LPIY++GIYNPFYLNFP++T
 Sbjct: 124 IHVIKDNITNLNVNTFSKAAVDYQKRLRQIIEELARKENKTLPIYIIGIYNPFYLNFPPEMT 183

Query: 201 KMQTVIDNWNKATKEVVDASENVYFVPINDRLYKGINGKKEGITES-----SNSQASITN 254
 +MQT++DNWN++T+EV +NVYFVP+ND LYKGINGK G+T S + S N
 Sbjct: 184 EMQTVIDNWNRSTEEVSKEYDNVYFVPVNDLLYKGINGKGGVTSSDETSQPTKSSQDLSN 243

Query: 255 DALFTGDHFPNNIGYQIMSNVMEKINETRKNW 288
 DALF DHFHPNN GYQIMS+A++++IN+T+K W
 Sbjct: 244 DALFEEDHFPNNTGYQIMSDAILKRINQTKKEW 277

20 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 305> which encodes the amino acid
 sequence <SEQ ID 306>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 39

>>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
 25 INTEGRAL Likelihood =-12.05 Transmembrane 18 - 34 (10 - 37)

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5819(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 30 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related sequence was also identified in GAS <SEQ ID 9123> which encodes the amino acid sequence
 <SEQ ID 9124>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 33

35 >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
 INTEGRAL Likelihood =-12.05 Transmembrane 12 - 28

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5819(Affirmative) < succ>
 40 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 178/282 (63%), Positives = 218/282 (77%)

45 Query: 5 LLLWFMNKKKILTGLSFFLVSLLSFGIFSLIIPKSNPKLTKKDFLT'KKVIPLNYVAIG 64
 L LWFVMN + + +G+ FF++SL L+F + ++IIPKSN +L K DFL K+ + + YVA+G
 Sbjct: 1 LRLWFMNMRHLFSGIFFFFVISLCLAFLLLNIIIPKSNRLKKSDFLKKEQVAIQYVAIG 60

50 Query: 65 DSLTEGVGDTTSGGGFVPLLSESLHNRYSYQVTSVNYGVSGNTSQQILKRMTTDPQIEKD 124
 DSLTEGVGD T QGGFVPLL+ L + V NYGVSG+TSQQIL RM QI+
 Sbjct: 61 DSLTEGVGDLTHQGGFVPLLTDNLSEYFKANVNHQNYGVSGDTSQQILDRMIKQKQIQLS 120

55 Query: 125 LEKADLLTLTVGGNDVLAVIRKELSHLSLNSFEKPAEAYKERLKEILAKARQDNPKLPYI 184
 L+KAD++TLTVGGNDV+AVIRK L+ L ++SF KPA Y++RL++I+ AR+DN LPI+
 Sbjct: 121 LKKADIMTLTVGGNDVMAVIRKNLADLQVSSFRKPARQYQKRLRQIIEELARKDNKDLPF 180

Query: 185 VLGIYNPFYLNFPQLTKMQTVIDNWNKATKEVVDASENVYFVPINDRLYKGINGKKEGITE 244
 +LGIYNPFYLNFP+LT MQ VID+WN TKEVV + VYFVPIND LYKGING+EGI
 60 Sbjct: 181 ILGIYNPFYLNFPPELTDMDQKVIDDWNKTKEVVGVEYDRVYFVPINDLLYKGINGQEGIVH 240

Query: 245 SSNSQASTITNDALFTGDHFPNNIGYQIMSNVMEKINETRK 286
 SS Q +I NDALFTGDHFPNN GYQIMSNVMEKI + K

SEQ ID 6 (GBS103) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 36 (lane 4; MW 32kDa).

The GBS103-His fusion product was purified (Figure 107A; see also Figure 201, lane 9) and used to immunise mice (lane 2+3 product; 18.5µg/mouse). The resulting antiserum was used for Western blot (Figure 107B), FACS (Figure 107C) and in the *in vivo* passive protection assay (Table III). These tests confirm that the protein is immunoaccessible on GBS bacteria and that it is an effective protective immunogen.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

10 Example 4

A DNA sequence (GBSx1316) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 3837> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 3838>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 23
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
15   INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -4.30    Transmembrane 1058 -1074 (1056 -1075)

----- Final Results -----
                bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.2720(Affirmative) < succ>
                bacterial outside  --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
20                bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

```

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 7> and protein <SEQ ID 8> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

```

Lipop: Possible site: -1    Crend: 10
McG: Discrim Score:      -13.26
GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -5.76
Possible site: 41
30 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
ALOM program count: 1 value: -4.30 threshold: 0.0
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -4.30    Transmembrane 489 - 505 ( 487 - 506)
    PERIPHERAL  Likelihood =  3.71      97
    modified ALOM score:  1.36
35
*** Reasoning Step: 3

----- Final Results -----
                bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.2720(Affirmative) < succ>
                bacterial outside  --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
40                bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

LPXTG motif: 478-482

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45 SEQ ID 8 (GBS195) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 24 (lane 8). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 31 (lane 5).

GBS195C was expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 175 (lane 6 & 7; MW 81kDa).

GBS195L was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 83 (lane 2; MW 123kDa).

GBS195LN was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 83 (lane 3; MW 66kDa).

- 5 GBS195-GST was purified as shown in Figure 198, lane 5. GBS195-His was purified as shown in Figure 222, lane 4-5. GBS195N-His was purified as shown in Figure 222, lane 6-7.

The GBS195-GST fusion product was purified (Figure 87A) and used to immunise mice (lane 1 product; 13.6µg/mouse). The resulting antiserum was used for Western blot (Figure 87B), FACS, and in the *in vivo* passive protection assay (Table III). These tests confirm that the protein is immunoaccessible on GBS
10 bacteria and that it is an effective protective immunogen.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 5

A DNA sequence (GBSx0002) was identified in *S.galactiae* <SEQ ID 4043> which encodes the amino
15 acid sequence <SEQ ID 4044>. This protein is predicted to be lipoprotein MtsA. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 19

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

20

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3361(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

25

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9403> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9404> was also identified.

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 3177> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 3178>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

30

Possible site: 13

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

35

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2412(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

40

Identities = 146/168 (86%), Positives = 161/168 (94%)

Query: 1 MNLENGIIYSKNI AKQLIAKDPKNKATYEKNRDYVAKLEKLDKEAKSKFNAIPANKKLI 60

+NLENGIIYSKNI AKQLIAKDPKNK TYEKN AYVAKLEKLDKEAKSKF+AI NKKLI

Sbjct: 107 LNLENGIIYSKNI AKQLIAKDPKNKETYEKNLKYVAKLEKLDKEAKSKFDAIAENKKLI 166

45

Query: 61 VTSEGC FK YFSKAYGVPSAYIWEINTEEEGTPDQITSLVKKLKQVRPSALFVESSVDKRP 120

VTSEGC FK YFSKAYGVPSAYIWEINTEEEGTPDQI+SL++KLK ++PSALFVESSVD+RP

Sbjct: 167 VTSEGC FK YFSKAYGVPSAYIWEINTEEEGTPDQISSLEKLVKIKPSALFVESSVDRRP 226

Query: 121 MKSVSRESGIPIYAEIFTDSIAKKGQKGD SYAMMKWNLDKIEGLAK 168
 M++VS++SGIPIY+EIFTDSIAKKG+ GDSYAMMKWNLDKI+EGLAK
 Sbjct: 227 METVSKDSGIPIYSEIFTDSIAKKGKPGD SYAMMKWNLDKISEGLAK 274

- 5 SEQ ID 9404 (GBS679) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 164 (lane 7-9; MW 36kDa) and in Figure 188 (lane 8; MW 36kDa). Purified protein is shown in Figure 242, lanes 9 & 10.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

10 Example 6

A DNA sequence (GBSx0003) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 8485> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 8486>. This protein is predicted to be ATP-binding protein MtsB. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

15 Possible site: 55
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 ----- Final Results -----
 20 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2097 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 8765> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 8766>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

25 Possible site: 29
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 ----- Final Results -----
 30 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1929 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

35 Identities = 143/238 (60%), Positives = 186/238 (78%), Gaps = 2/238 (0%)
 Query: 1 MIISKHLSVSYDNNL-VLEDINLRLEGSGIIGILGPNGAGKSTLMKALLGLVDSTGESGI 59
 MI + +L V+YD N LE IN+ +EG I+GI+GPNGAGKST MKA+L L+D G +
 40 Sbjct: 10 MITTNNLCVTYDGNNALEAINVTIEGPIVGIIGPNGAGKSTFMKAILNLIDYQGHVTV 69
 Query: 60 GG-DLLPLMGRVAYVEQKTNIIDYQFPITVGECSVLGLYKERGLFKRLSKTDWEKVSVID 118
 G D L VAYVEQ++ IDY FPITV ECV+LG Y + GLF+R+ K +E+V +V+
 Sbjct: 70 DGKDKRKLGHTVAYVEQQRSMIDYNFPITVKECVLGTYSKLGFLRRVGKKQFEQVDKVLK 129
 45 Query: 119 QVGLRGFFENRPINALSGGQFQRMMLARCLVQEADYIFLDEFFVGIDSISEQIIVNLLKKL 178
 QVGL F +RPI +LSGGQFQRMML+ARCL+QE+DYIFLDEFFVGIDS+SE+IIV+LLK+L
 Sbjct: 130 QVGLDFGHRPIKSLSGGQFQRMMLVARCLIQESDYIFLDEFFVGIDSVSEKIIVDILLKEL 189
 50 Query: 179 SKAGKLLIVVHHDLKVDHYFDQVILNRLHILACGPIDQAFTRNLSAAYGDAILLGQ 236
 AGK IL+VHHDLKSV+HYFD+++ILN+HL+A G + + FT + LS AYG+ ++LG+
 Sbjct: 190 KMAGKTILIVVHHDLKVEHYFDKLMILNKLHVLVAYGNVCEVFTVDTLSKAYGNHLLIGK 247

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 7

A DNA sequence (GBSx0004) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 9> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 10>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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5      Possible site: 28
      >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq

      ----- Final Results -----
10          bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
          bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
          bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

```

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

15 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 8

A DNA sequence (GBSx0005) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 11> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 12>. This protein is predicted to be integral membrane protein MtsC (znuB). Analysis
20 of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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      Lipop: Possible site: -1   Crend: 6
      McG: Discrim Score:      3.77
      GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -0.47
      Possible site: 45
25      >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.
      INTEGRAL   Likelihood = -10.83   Transmembrane 138 - 154 ( 134 - 162)
      INTEGRAL   Likelihood = -7.96    Transmembrane 60 - 76 ( 50 - 86)
      INTEGRAL   Likelihood = -6.95    Transmembrane 95 - 111 ( 93 - 118)
      INTEGRAL   Likelihood = -5.79    Transmembrane 180 - 196 ( 174 - 216)
30      INTEGRAL   Likelihood = -4.35    Transmembrane 198 - 214 ( 197 - 216)
      INTEGRAL   Likelihood = -4.30    Transmembrane 250 - 266 ( 246 - 268)
      INTEGRAL   Likelihood = -3.93    Transmembrane 222 - 238 ( 221 - 241)
      PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 5.94      116
      modified ALOM score: 2.67
35
      *** Reasoning Step: 3

      ----- Final Results -----
40          bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5331 (Affirmative) < succ>
          bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
          bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 13> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 14>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

```

45      Possible site: 45
      >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.
      INTEGRAL   Likelihood = -11.25   Transmembrane 138 - 154 ( 134 - 163)
      INTEGRAL   Likelihood = -9.08    Transmembrane 66 - 82 ( 50 - 86)
      INTEGRAL   Likelihood = -6.79    Transmembrane 95 - 111 ( 93 - 118)
50      INTEGRAL   Likelihood = -5.63    Transmembrane 180 - 196 ( 176 - 216)
      INTEGRAL   Likelihood = -4.73    Transmembrane 221 - 237 ( 218 - 241)
      INTEGRAL   Likelihood = -4.35    Transmembrane 250 - 266 ( 246 - 268)
      INTEGRAL   Likelihood = -4.35    Transmembrane 198 - 214 ( 197 - 216)
      INTEGRAL   Likelihood = -2.81    Transmembrane 48 - 64 ( 47 - 64)
55
      ----- Final Results -----

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bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5501(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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5 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

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Identities = 224/275 (81%), Positives = 255/275 (92%)

Query: 1  MFTKFFEGLLTYHFLQNAFITAIVIGIVAGAVGCFIILRSMMLMGDAISHAVLPGVAISF 60
          M  KFFEGL++YHFLQNA ITA+VIGIV+GAVGCFIILRSMMLMGDAISHAVLPGVA+SF
10  Sbjct: 1  MSMKFFEGLMSYHFLQNALITAVVIGIVSGAVGCFIILRSMMLMGDAISHAVLPGVALSF 60

Query: 61  ILGINFFIGAIIVFGLLSSIIITYIKENSVIKGDTAIGITFSSFLALGIILIGLANSTTDL 120
          ILG+NFFIGAI+FGLL+S+IITYIKENSVIKGDTAIGITFSSFLALG+ILIG+ANS+TDL
15  Sbjct: 61  ILGVNFFIGAIIFGLLASVIITYIKENSVIKGDTAIGITFSSFLALGVILIGVANSSTDL 120

Query: 121 FHLFGNILAVQSDSKYMTIIVGLIVLTLITIFFKELLTSFDPVLAKSMGMRVSFYHYL 180
          FHLFGNILAVQSDK++TI V + VL +I++FFKELLTSFDP+LAKSMG++V+ YHYL
20  Sbjct: 121 FHLFGNILAVQSDSKWITIGVSIFVLVVISLFFKELLTSFDPILAKSMGVKNAYHYL 180

Query: 181 LMILLTLVAVTAMQSVGTILIVALLITPAATAYLYVKSLRTMLFLSSALGAVASVLGLYI 240
          LM+LLTLVAVTAMQSVGTILIVALLITPAATAYLY SL+ ML +SS LGA+ASVLGLY+
25  Sbjct: 181 LMVLLTLVAVTAMQSVGTILIVALLITPAATAYLYANSLKVMLVMSSLLGALASVLGLYL 240

Query: 241 GYTFNIAAGSSIVLTSTFMFLAFLFSPKQSLFKK 275
          GYTFN+AAGSSIVLTS MFL++F SPKQ K+
25  Sbjct: 241 GYTFNVAAGSSIVLTSAMMFLISFFVSPKQGYLKR 275

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

30 Example 9

A DNA sequence (GBSx0006) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 15> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 16>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 38

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1280(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
40 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

```

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 10

A DNA sequence (GBSx0007) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 17> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 18>. This protein is predicted to be peptidyl-prolyl cis-trans isomerase 10 (rotamase). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

```

50 Lipop Possible site: 19  Crend: 2
    McG: Discrim Score: 5.27
    GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -4.14
    Possible site: 19
    >>> May be a lipoprotein

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-51-

ALOM program count: 0 value: 9.34 threshold: 0.0
 PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 9.34 89
 modified ALOM score: -2.37

5 *** Reasoning Step: 3

----- Final Results -----

10 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

15 >GP:CAA19257 GB:AL023704 putative Cyclophilin-type peptidyl-prolyl
 cis-trans isomerase protein [Schizosaccharomyces pombe]
 Identities = 88/224 (39%), Positives = 123/224 (54%), Gaps = 46/224 (20%)

Query: 50 NKKTQALKADKKAFFQLDKAVAKNEAQ-----VLIKTSKGDINIKLFPKYAPL 98
 N TK L +D+ + + V NE + +I T++GDI+IKL+P+ AP
 20 Sbjct: 419 NMSTKFTL-SDRDVYNEQVLPTNNEGRQENGNIILGKAAIIHTTQGDISIPLYPEEAPK 477

Query: 99 AVENFLTHAKGGYYNGLSFHRVIKDFMIQSGDPNGDGTGGKSIWNSKDKKDSGNGFVNE 158
 AV+NF THA+ GYY+ FHR+IK+FMIQ GDP GDGTGG+SIW KKD F +E
 25 Sbjct: 478 AVQNFTTHAENGYYDNTIFHRIIKNFMIQGGDPLDGTGGESIW-----KKD----FEDE 528

Query: 159 ISPYLYNIRG-SLAMANAGADTNGSQFFINQSQDHSKQLSDKKVPKVIKAYSEGGNPS 217
 ISP L + R +++MAN+G +TNGSQFFI P
 30 Sbjct: 529 ISPNLKHDRPFTVSMANSGPNTNGSQFFITIDL-----TPW 564

Query: 218 LDGGYTVFGQVISGMETVDKIASVEVTKSDQPKEKITITSIKVI 261
 LDG +T+F + +G++ V +I E K D+P E I +I ++
 35 Sbjct: 565 LDGKHTIFARAYAGLDVVHRIEQGETDKYDRPLEPTKIINISIV 608

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 19> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 20>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

35 Possible site: 19

>>> May be a lipoprotein

----- Final Results -----

40 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

45 >GP:CAB88542 GB:AL353818 putative protein [Arabidopsis thaliana]
 Identities = 83/186 (44%), Positives = 104/186 (55%), Gaps = 34/186 (18%)

Query: 78 VVMRTSQGDITLKLFPKYAPLAVENFLTHAKGGYYDNLTFHRVINDFMIQSGDPKGDGTG 137
 V+M T+ GDI +KL+P+ P VENF TH + GYYDN FHRVI FMIQ+GDP GDGTG
 50 Sbjct: 476 VIMHTTLGDIHMKLYPEECPKTVENFTTHCRNGYYDNHLFHRVIRGFMITGDPLDGTG 535

Query: 138 GESIWKGDPKKDAGNGFVNEISPFYHIRG-ALAMANAGANTNGSQFYINQNKKNQSKG 196
 G+SIW G F +E L H R L+MANAG NTNGSQF+I
 55 Sbjct: 536 GQSIW-----GRFEDEFHKSLRHRPFTLSMANAGPNTNGSQFFITT----- 578

Query: 197 LSSSTNYPKPIISAYEHGGNPSLDGGYTVFGQVIDGMDVVDKIAATSINQNDKPEQDITIT 256
 P LD +TVFG+V+ GMDVV I ++ND+P QD+ I
 60 Sbjct: 579 -----VATPWLDNKHTVFGRVVKGMDVVQGIKVKTDKNDRPYQDVKIL 622

Query: 257 SIDIVK 262
 ++ + K
 65 Sbjct: 623 NVTVEK 628

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 172/267 (64%), Positives = 221/267 (82%)

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5  Query: 1  MKKIIYLGACVSIITLSCGESIERSLKGDRYVDQKLAENSSKEATEQLNKKTKQALKAD 60
      MKK++ L L  +S+L LS CES++R++KGD+Y+D+K A+  S+ A++  +  ++ALKAD
      Sbjct: 1  MKKLLSLSLVAISLLNLSACESVDRAIKGDYIDEKTAKEESEASEASKAYEESIQLKALKAD 60

10 Query: 61  KKAFFQLDKAVAKNEAQVLIKTSKGDINIKLFPKYAPLAVENFLTHAKEGYNGLSFHRV 120
      FPQL K V K EA+V+++TS+GDI +KLFPKYAPLAVENFLTHAK+GY+ L+FHRV
      Sbjct: 61  ASQFPQLTKEVGKEEAKVVMRTSQGDITLKLFPKYAPLAVENFLTHAKGYDNLTFHRV 120

15 Query: 121 IKDFMIQSGDPNGDGTGGKSIWNSKDKKKDSGNFVNEISPYLYNIRGSLAMANAGADTN 180
      I DFMIQSGDP GDGTGG+SIW  KD KKD+GNGFVNEISP+LY+IRG+LAMANAGA+TN
      Sbjct: 121 INDFMIQSGDPKGDGTGGESIWKGDPKKDAGNGFVNEISPFLYHIRGALAMANAGANTN 180

20 Query: 181 GSQFFINQSQQDHSKQLSDKKVVKVIIKAYSEGGNPSLDGGYTVFGQVISGMETVDKIAS 240
      GSQF+INQ++++ SK LS  PK II AY  GGNPSLDGGYTVFGQVI CM+ VDKIA+
      Sbjct: 181 GSQFYINQKNKQSKGLSSTNYPKPIISAYEHGGNPSLDGGYTVFGQVIDGMDVVDKIAA 240

20 Query: 241 VEVTKSDQPKKITITTSIKVIKDYKFK 267
      + ++D+P++ ITTTSI ++KDY+FK
      Sbjct: 241 TSINQNDKPEQDITITSIDIVKDYRFK 267

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SEQ ID 18 (GBS205) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 51 (lane 13; MW 31kDa).

GBS205-His was purified as shown in Figure 206, lane 8.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 11

A DNA sequence (GBSx0008) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 21> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 22>. This protein is predicted to be sporulation protein SpoIIIE (ftsK). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

```

35 Lipop Possible site: -1  Crend: 10
    McG: Discrim Score: -22.83
    GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -7.13
        Possible site: 39
    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
    ALOM program  count: 5 value: -9.24 threshold: 0.0
    INTEGRAL  Likelihood = -9.24  Transmembrane  36 - 52 ( 27 - 60)
    INTEGRAL  Likelihood = -9.18  Transmembrane  162 - 178 ( 154 - 188)
40  INTEGRAL  Likelihood = -4.04  Transmembrane  597 - 613 ( 595 - 615)
    INTEGRAL  Likelihood = -3.77  Transmembrane  63 - 79 ( 58 - 83)
    INTEGRAL  Likelihood = -2.60  Transmembrane  90 - 106 ( 88 - 108)
    PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 1.32  136
45  modified ALOM score: 2.35

    *** Reasoning Step: 3

    ----- Final Results -----
50      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4694(Affirmative) < succ>
        bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
        bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 10035> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 10036> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAB13553 GB:Z99112 DNA translocase [Bacillus subtilis]

Identities = 352/822 (42%), Positives = 508/822 (60%), Gaps = 70/822 (8%)

5 Query: 14 KTRRPTKAEIERQRAIORMITALVLTIIILFFGIIRLGIFGITVYNVIRFMVGSILAYLFIA 73
K +R ++ + +Q I+ + L+ I I++LG+ G T + RF G L +
Sbjct: 3 KKKRKSRRKQAKQLNIKYELNGLLCIAISIIAILQLGVVGQTFIYLFRRFFAGIEWFILCLL 62

10 Query: 74 ATLIYLYFFKWLRRKKDSL-----AGFLIASLGLLIEWHAYLFS-----MPILKDKEILRST 125
L+ W +K SL+ AG +L+ H LF ++ ++R+T
Sbjct: 63 GLLVLGVSLFWKKKTPSLLTRKAGLYCIIASILLLSHVQLFKNLTHKGSIESASVVRNT 122

15 Query: 126 ARLIVS DLMQFKITVFAGGGM LGALIKPIAFLFSNIGAYMIGVLFIILGLFLMSSLEVY 185
L + D+ + GGGM+GAL++ FLF++ G+ ++ ++ I++G+ L++ +
Sbjct: 123 WELFLMDMNGSSASPD LGGGMIGALLFAASHFLFASTGSQIMAIVMILIGMILVTRSLQ 182

20 Query: 186 DIVE-----FIR----AFKN--KVAEKHEQNKKERFAKREMKKAIAEQERIERQKAE 231
+ ++ FI+ AF + K + + Q+ K+ A + +K +++++E + +
Sbjct: 183 ETLKKWMSPIGRFIKEQWLA FIDDMKSFKSNMQSSKKT KAPSKKQKPKARKKQMEPEPPD 242

25 Query: 232 EEAYLASVNVDPETGEILEDQAEDNLDDALPPEVSETSTPVFEP-EILAYETSPQNDPLP 290
EE +V+ + I+ ++ N ++ P + + + PV +P + + ET Q + +
Sbjct: 243 EEGDYETVSPLIHSEPIISSFSRNEEEE-SFVIEKRAEPVSKPLQDIQPETGDQ-ETVS 300

30 Query: 291 VEPTIYLEDYDSPIPMNRENDEEMVYDLDDDDVDDSDIENVDFTPKTTLVYKLPITIDLFAP 350
P + E +EN D Y++P++DL A
Sbjct: 301 APPMTFT-----LENKD-----YEMPSLDLLAD 324

35 Query: 351 DKPKNQSKEDLVRKNIRVLEETFRSFGIDVKVERAEIGPSVTKYEIKPAVGVRVNRISN 410
K Q +K + +N R LE TF+SFG+ KV + +GP+VTKYE+ P VGV+V++I N
Sbjct: 325 PKHTGQQADKKNIYENARKLERTFQSFGVKAKVTQVHLGPAVTKYEVYPDVGVKVSKIVN 384

40 Query: 411 LSDDLALALAAKDVR IETPIPGKSLIGIEVPNSEIATVSFRELWEQS-DANPENLLEVPL 469
LSDDLALALAAKD+RIE PIPGKS IGIEVPN+E+A VS +E+ E + P+ + + L
Sbjct: 385 LSDDLALALAAKDIRIEAPIPGKAIGIEVPNAEAMVMSLKEVLESKLNDRPDANVLI GL 444

45 Query: 470 GKAVNGNARSFN LARMPHLLVAGSTGSGKSVAVNGIISILMKARPDQVKFMMIDPKMVE 529
G+ ++G A L +MPHLLVAG+TGSGKSV VNGII+SILM+A+P +VK MMIDPKMVE
Sbjct: 445 GRNISGEAVLAELNKMPHLLVAGATGSGKSVCVNGIITSILMRAKPHEVKMMIDPKMVE 504

50 Query: 530 LSVYNDIPHLLIPVVTNPRKASKALQKVDEMENRYELFSKIGVRNIAGYNTKVEEFNAS 589
L+VYN IPHLL PVVT+P+KAS+AL+KVV+EME RYELFS G RNI GYN ++ N
Sbjct: 505 LNVYNGIPHLLAPVVTDPKASQALKKVVNEMERRYELFSHTGTRNIEGYNDYIKRANNE 564

55 Query: 590 SEQKQIPLPLIVVIVDELADLMMVASKEVEDAIIRLGQKARAAGIHMIATQRPVSVDVIS 649
KQ LP IVVIVDELADLMMVAS +VED+I RL Q ARAAGIH+I+ATQRPVSVDVI+
Sbjct: 565 EGAKQPELPYIVVIVDELADLMMVASSDVEDSITRLSQMARAAGIHIIATQRPVSVDVIT 624

60 Query: 650 GLIKANVPSRIAFVSSGTDSTRTILDENGAEKLLGRGDMLEFKPIDENHPVRLQGSFISDD 709
G+IKAN+PSRIAF+VSS TDSRTILD GAEKLLGRGDMLE P+ N PVR+QG+F+SDD
Sbjct: 625 GVIKANIPSRIAFVSSQTDSTRTILDMGGAEKLLGRGDMLEFLPVGANKPVRVQGAFLSDD 684

65 Query: 710 DVERIVGFIKDQAEADYDDAFDPGEVSETDNGSGGGGVPESDPLFEEAKGLVLETQKAS 769
+VE++V + Q +A Y + P E +ET + +D L++EA L++ Q AS
Sbjct: 685 EVEKVVDHVITQQKAQYQEEMIPEETTETHS-----EVTDELYDEAVELIVGMQTAS 736

70 Query: 770 ASMIQRRLSVGFNRATRLMBEELAAAGVIGPAEGTKPRKVLMT 811
SM+QRR +G+ RA RL++ +E GV+GP EG+KPR+VL++
Sbjct: 737 VSMQLQRRFRIGYTRAARLIDAMBERGVVGPYEGSKPREVLLS 778

60 46.5/66.5% over 775aa

OMNI|NT01BS1964| sporulation protein SpoIIIE Insert characterized

ORF01349(340 - 2733 of 3048)

65 OMNI|NT01BS1964(6 - 781 of 790) sporulation protein SpoIIIE

%Match = 29.6

%Identity = 46.4 %Similarity = 66.5

Matches = 352 Mismatches = 243 Conservative Sub.s = 152

760 770 780 790

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 23> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 24>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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5      Possible site: 51
      >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
      INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -9.45    Transmembrane    31 - 47 ( 25 - 55)
      INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -7.17    Transmembrane    160 - 176 ( 153 - 183)
      INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -4.99    Transmembrane    93 - 109 ( 86 - 111)
10     INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -4.04    Transmembrane    586 - 602 ( 584 - 604)
      INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -1.22    Transmembrane    64 - 80 ( 64 - 80)

      ----- Final Results -----
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4779(Affirmative) < succ>
15     bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

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!GB:Z99112 DNA translocase [Bacillus subtilis]      601 e-170
20     Identities = 354/816 (43%), Positives = 499/816 (60%), Gaps = 69/816 (8%)

Query: 11  APKKRLTKAEVEKQRAIKRMILSVLMALLLIFAMLRGLGVFGVTTYNMIRFLVGSLAYPFM 70
          A KKR ++ + KQ IK + +L + I A+L+LGV G T + RF G +
25     Sbjct: 2  AKKKRKSRRKKQAKQLNIKYELNGLLCIAISTIIAILQLGVVGQTFIYLFRRFFAGWFIILCL 61

Query: 71  FAWLIYLFCEFKWLRQKDGMI----AGVVIAFLGLLVEWHAFLFA----MPRMLDQDIFLG 122
          L+ W ++ ++ AG+ +L+ H LF + +
25     Sbjct: 62  LGLLVLVGVSLFWKKKTFPSLLTRRKAGLYCIIASILLLSHVQLFKNLTHKGSIESASVVRN 121

Query: 123  TARLITRDLLALRVTEFVGGGMLGALLYKPIAFLFSNIGSYFIGFLFILLGLFLMTPWDI 182
          T L D+ + +GGGM+CALL+ FLF++ GS + + IL+G+ L+T +
30     Sbjct: 122  TWELFLMDMNGSSASPDLGGMIGALLFAASHFLFASTGSGQIMAIVMILIGMILVTGRSL 181

Query: 183  YD-----VSHFVKEA----VDKLAVAYQENKEKRFIKREEHRLQAEKBALEKQAE 230
          + + F+KE +D + +++ N + K+ + + +K A +KQ E
35     Sbjct: 182  QETLKKWMSPIGRFIKEQWLAFFIDDMK-SFKSNMQSS--KKTAKAPSKKQKPAKQKQMEP 238

Query: 231  EKRLAELTVPDPTGEIVEDSQSQVSYDLAEDMT-KEPEILAYDSHLKDETSLFDQ---- 285
          E E G+ Y+ + EP I ++ +++E+ + ++
40     Sbjct: 239  EP-----PDEEGD-----YETVSPLIHSEPIISSFSDRNEEESPVIEKRAEP 281

Query: 286  --EDLAYAHEEIGAYDSLALASSEDEMMDPEVDFTPKTHLLYKLPITIDLFAPDKPK 343
          + L E G +++SA + E++ + Y++P++DL A K
45     Sbjct: 282  VSKPLQDIQPETGQETVSAPPMTFTELENK-----YEMPSLDLILADPKHT 328

Query: 344  NQSKEKNLVRKNIKVLEDTFQSFQIDVKVERAEIGPSVTKYEIKPAVGVRVNRISNLADD 403
          Q +K + +N + LE TFQSG+ KV + +GP+VTKYE+ P VGV+V++I NL+DD
50     Sbjct: 329  GQQADKKNIYENARKLERTFQSGFVKAKVTQVHLGPAVTKYEVYPDVGKVKSVIYNLSDD 388

Query: 404  LALALAAKDVRIEAPIPGKSLIGIEVPNSEIATVSFRELWEQS-DANPENLLEVPLGKAV 462
          LALALAAKD+RIEAPIPGKS IGIEVPN+E+A VS +E+ E + P+ + + LG+ +
55     Sbjct: 389  LALALAAKDIRIEAPIPGKSAIGIEVPNAEVAMVSLKEVLESKLNDRPDANVLIGLGRNI 448

Query: 463  NGNARSFNLRMPHLLVAGSTGSGKSVAVNGIISILMKARPQVKFMMIDPKMVLSVY 522
          +G A L +MPHLLVAG+TGSGKSV VNGII+SILM+A+P +VK MMIDPKMVEL+VY
60     Sbjct: 449  SGEAVLAEINLKMMPHLLVAGATGSGKSVCVNGIITSILMRAPHEVKMMIDPKMVELNVY 508

Query: 523  NDIPHLLIPVVTNPRKASKALQKVVDENRYELFSKIGVRNIAGYNTKVEEFNASSEQ 582
          N IPHLL PVVT+P+KAS+AL+KV+EME RYELFS G RNI GYN ++ N K
65     Sbjct: 509  NGIPHLLAPVVTDPKKASQALKKVVNEMERRYELFSHTGTRNIEGYNDYIKRANNEEGAK 568

Query: 583  QIPLPLIVVIVDELADLMMVASKEVEDAIRLGOKARAAGIHMILATQRPSPVDVISGLIK 642
          Q LP IVVIVDELADLMMVAS +VED+I RL Q ARAAGIH+I+ATQRPSPVDVI+G+IK
          Sbjct: 569  QPELPYIVVIVDELADLMMVASSDVEDSITRLSQMARAAGIHLIATQRPSPVDVITGVIK 628

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Query: 643 ANVPSRMAFAVSSGTDSTILDENGAEKLLGRGDMFLFKPIDENHPVRLQGSFISDDDDVER 702
 AN+PSR+AF+VSS TDSRTILD GA EKLLGRGDMFL P+ N PVR+QG+F+SDD+VE+
 Sbjct: 629 ANIPSRIFAFAVSSQTDSTILDMGAEKLLGRGDMFLFPVGANKPVRVQGAFLSDDEVEK 688

5 Query: 703 IVNFIKDQTEADYDDAFDPGEVSDNDPGFSGNGGAAEGDPLFEEAKALVLETQKASASMI 762
 +V+ + Q +A Y + P E ++ + D L++EA L++ Q AS SM+
 Sbjct: 689 VVDHVITQQKAQYQEEMIPEETTETHSEVT-----DELYDEAVELIVGMQTASVSML 740

10 Query: 763 QRRLSVGFNRATRLMDELEEAGVIGPAEGTKPRKVL 798
 QRR +G+ RA RL+D +EE GV+GP EG+KPR+VL
 Sbjct: 741 QRRFRIGYTRAAARLIDAMEERGVPVGPYEGSKPREVL 776

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 620/818 (75%), Positives = 701/818 (84%), Gaps = 25/818 (3%)

15 Query: 1 MVFMANKKKTGKKTRRPTKAEIERQRAIQRMITALVLTILFFGIIRLGIFGITVYNVI 60
 MV +KK+ KK R TKAE+E+QRAI+RMI ++++ ++L F ++RLG+FG+T YN+I
 Sbjct: 1 MVKRNQRKKSAPKK--RLTKAEVEKQRAIKRMILSVLMALLLIFAMLRGVFVTTYNMI 58

20 Query: 61 RFMVGSLAYLFIAATLIYLYFFKWLRRKDSLAVAGFLIASLGLLIEWHAYLFSMPILKDKE 120
 RF+VGSLAY F+ A LIYL+ FKWL+R+KD ++AG +IA LGLL+EWHA+LF+MP + D++
 Sbjct: 59 RFLVGSLAYPFMFALYLYFCFKWLRRQKDGMLAGVVIAPLGLLVEWHAFLFAMPRMLDQD 118

25 Query: 121 ILRSTARLIVSDLMQFKITVFAGGMLGALYKPIAFLFSNIGAYMIGVLFIILGLFLMS 180
 I TARLI DL+ ++T F GGGMLGAL+YKPIAFLFSNIG+Y IG LFI+LGLFLM+
 Sbjct: 119 IFLGTARLITRDLALRVTEFVGGMLGALYKPIAFLFSNIGSYFIGFLFILLGLFLMT 178

30 Query: 181 SLEVYDIVEFIRAFKNKVAEKHEQNKKERFAKREMKKAIAEQERIERQKAE E EAYLASVN 240
 ++YD+ F++ +K+A +++NK++RF KRE + AE+E +E+Q EEE LA +
 Sbjct: 179 PWDIYDVSHFVKEAVDKLAVAYQENKEKRFKREEHRLQAEKEALEKQAQEEKRLAELT 238

35 Query: 241 VDPETGEILEDAQEDNLDDALPPEVSETSTPVFEPEILAYETSPQNDPLPV--EPTIYL 297
 VDPETGEI+ED + +++E T EPEILAY++ ++D + E Y
 Sbjct: 239 VDPETGEIVEDSQSQ-----VSYDLAEDMTK--EPEILAYDSHLKDDSETSLFDQEDLAYA 291

40 Query: 298 ED----YDSPIPNMRENDEEMVYDLDDDDVDDSDIENVDFTPKTTLVYKLPTIDLFAPDKP 353
 + YDS + + +++EM D+D+ V+ VDFTPKT L+YKLPTIDLFAPDKP
 Sbjct: 292 HEEIGAYDS-LSALASSEDEM--DMPEPVE-----VDFTPKTHLLYKLPTIDLFAPDKP 342

45 Query: 354 KNQSKEKDLVRKNIRVLEETFRSFGIDVKVERAEIGPSVTKYEIKPAVGVRVNRISNLSD 413
 KNQSKEK+LVRKNI+VLE+TF+SFGIDVKVERAEIGPSVTKYEIKPAVGVRVNRISNL+D
 Sbjct: 343 KNQSKEKNLVRKNIKVLEDTFQSFGIDVKVERAEIGPSVTKYEIKPAVGVRVNRISNLAD 402

50 Query: 414 DLALALAAKDVRIEPIPGKSLIGIEVPNSEIATVSFRELWEQSDANPENLLEVPLGKAV 473
 DLALALAAKDVRIE PIPGKSLIGIEVPNSEIATVSFRELWEQSDANPENLLEVPLGKAV
 Sbjct: 403 DLALALAAKDVRIEAPIPGKSLIGIEVPNSEIATVSFRELWEQSDANPENLLEVPLGKAV 462

55 Query: 474 NGNARSFNLRMPHLLVAGSTGSGKSVAVNGI ISSILMKARPDQVKFMMIDPKMVLSVY 533
 NGNARSFNLRMPHLLVAGSTGSGKSVAVNGI ISSILMKARPDQVKFMMIDPKMVLSVY
 Sbjct: 463 NGNARSFNLRMPHLLVAGSTGSGKSVAVNGI ISSILMKARPDQVKFMMIDPKMVLSVY 522

60 Query: 534 NDIPHLLIPVVTNPRKASKALQKVVDENRYELFSKIGVRNIAGYNTKVEEFNASSEQK 593
 NDIPHLLIPVVTNPRKASKALQKVVDENRYELFSKIGVRNIAGYNTKVEEFNASSEQK
 Sbjct: 523 NDIPHLLIPVVTNPRKASKALQKVVDENRYELFSKIGVRNIAGYNTKVEEFNASSEQK 582

65 Query: 594 QIPLPLIVVIVDELADLMMVASKEVEDAIRLGQKARAAGIHMILATQRPSVDVISGLIK 653
 QIPLPLIVVIVDELADLMMVASKEVEDAIRLGQKARAAGIHMILATQRPSVDVISGLIK
 Sbjct: 583 QIPLPLIVVIVDELADLMMVASKEVEDAIRLGQKARAAGIHMILATQRPSVDVISGLIK 642

Query: 654 ANVPSRIAFAVSSGTDSTILDENGAEKLLGRGDMFLFKPIDENHPVRLQGSFISDDDDVER 713
 ANVPSR+AF+VSSGTDSTILDENGAEKLLGRGDMFLFKPIDENHPVRLQGSFISDDDDVER
 Sbjct: 643 ANVPSRMAFAVSSGTDSTILDENGAEKLLGRGDMFLFKPIDENHPVRLQGSFISDDDDVER 702

Query: 714 IVGFIKDAQEADYDDAFDPGEVSDNDPGFSGNGGAAEGDPLFEEAKALVLETQKASASMI 773
 IV FIKDQ EADYDDAFDPGEVS+ D G G GG E DPLFEEAK LVLETQKASASMI
 Sbjct: 703 IVNFIKDQTEADYDDAFDPGEVSDNDPGFSGNGGAAEGDPLFEEAKALVLETQKASASMI 762

Query: 774 QRRLSVGFNRATRLMEELEAAGVIGPAEGTKPRKVLMT 811
 QRRLSVGFNRATRLM+ELE AGVIGPAEGTKPRKVL T
 Sbjct: 763 QRRLSVGFNRATRLMDELEAAGVIGPAEGTKPRKVLQT 800

- 5 SEQ ID 22 (GBS272d) was expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 147 (lane 9; MW 55kDa + lane 10; MW 70kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 147 (lane 11 & 13; MW 85kDa + lane 12; MW 74kDa).

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 12

A DNA sequence (GBSx0009) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 25> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 26>. This protein is predicted to be para-aminobenzoate synthetase (pabB) (pabB). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

15 Possible site: 61
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 ----- Final Results -----
 20 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.4073 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

25 >GP:AAD07357 GB:AE000547 para-aminobenzoate synthetase (pabB)
 [Helicobacter pylori 26695]
 Identities = 204/580 (35%), Positives = 325/580 (55%), Gaps = 50/580 (8%)
 30 Query: 16 YRFRNPTKELIADTLEQVLEVIKEVDYYQSQNYVVGYSYEASAAF-DSHFKVSQQKLA 74
 ++++ K+L A L ++ + + + Y+V GYL YEA AF D +F+ L
 Sbjct: 6 FKYQKSVKKLTATNLNELKNALDFISQNRNGYFV-GYLLYEARLAFLDENFQSQTPFLY 64
 Query: 75 GEHLAY---FTVHKDCENEAFPLSYENVRADNWTANVSEQEYQEAIANIKGQIRQGNTY 131
 E +++ E+ +P + +++ ++ Y + +K +++ G+TY
 35 Sbjct: 65 FEQFLERKKYSLEPLKEHAFYPKIH-----SSLDQKTYFKQFKAVERLKNKGDY 114
 Query: 132 QVNYTLELSQQLCSDPFSVYERLMVEQAGYNAYIAYDDKRILSVSPELFFKKK--DEVL 189
 QVN T++L + P V++ ++ Q + A+I + +LS SPELFF+ + D +
 40 Sbjct: 115 QVNLITMDLFLDTKAKPKRVFKEVVHNQNTPFKAFTENEFSGVLSFSPLELFFLEFLDTAI 174
 Query: 190 T--TRPMKGTSAKPTYQEDVAERDNLANDPKNRSENMMIVDLLRNDMGRICDVGTVKVK 247
 T+PMKGT AR D R +L ND KNRSN+MIVDLLRND+ R+ +VKV
 Sbjct: 175 KIITKPMKGTIARSKNPLIDEKNRLFLQNDKNRSNVMIVDLLRNDLSRLALKNSVKVN 234
 45 Query: 248 KLCQVEQYATVWQMTSTIEGVLSPVTLMSIFQALYPCGSITGAPKISTMAINELEKRP 307
 +L ++ +V+QM S IE L + +L IF+AL+PCGS+TG PKI TM II LEKRP
 Sbjct: 235 QLFEIISLSPSVYQMISEIEAKLPLKTSLEIFKALPCGSVTGCPKIITMQIIESLEKRP 294
 Query: 308 RGIYCGTIGLCMPDQAI FNVPIRTVQMKGQQ--AYYVGGGITWESQTDSEYEETRQKS 365
 RG+YCG IG+ + + +A+F+VPIRT++ + + + GVG G+T++S+ EYEE+ KS
 50 Sbjct: 295 RGVYCGAIGM-VEKKALFSVPIRTLEKRVHENFLHLGVGSGVTYKSKAPKEYEESFLKS 353
 Query: 366 -AVLTRVNPKFQLITTGRV--TENKLLFSQQ--HVERLVESASYFAYSFDKSKFERELKK 420
 V+ ++ +F+++ T ++ + KL + + H ERL+ S YF + +D++ + EL
 55 Sbjct: 354 FFFVMPKI--EFEIVETMKIIKDQKLEINNKNNAHKERLMNSTRYFNFKYDENLLDFEL-- 409
 Query: 421 YLHQLDEKDYRLKIMLDKTKGVTFEVKQLVNLSSKKFLTAEEVVVDYPI-KLSFPTYFKTS 479
 EK+ L+++L+K GK+ E K L L + E+ + + PI K + F Y KT+

Sbjct: 410 -----EKEGVLRVLLNKKGKLIKEYKTLEPLK----SLEIRLSEAPIDKRNDFLYHKTT 459

Query: 480 YRPHIEGQN-----EKIFVSPGGLLLETSGNIVLEKNGRFLTPDLSEGGLNGIYR 531
 Y P + + ++IF + + L E + N+VLE + R LTP S G ING

5 Sbjct: 460 YAPFYQKARALIKKGVMFDEIFYNQDLELTEGARSNLVLEIHNRLTPYFSAGALNGTGV 519

Query: 532 RHLLKNQKVIEAPLTLKDLESADAIYACNAVRGLYPLNLK 571
 LLK V APL L+DL+ A IY NA+ GL + +K

10 Sbjct: 520 VGLLKKGLVGHAPLKLQDLQKASKIYCINALYGLVEVKIK 559

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 27> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 28>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 31

15 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

20 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2669(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 303/572 (52%), Positives = 406/572 (70%), Gaps = 1/572 (0%)

25 Query: 1 MHIE TVIDFKELGKRYR FKNPTKELIADTLEQVLEVIKEVDYYQSQNYVVGYSYEASA 60
 MH +T+IDFKELG+RY F P EL+A +L+QV VI++V +YQ YYVVGYSYEA+A
 Sbjct: 3 MHRKTIIDFKELGQRYLFDEPLVELVAKSLDQVGPVIEKVQHYQQLGYYVVGYSYEA 62

30 Query: 61 AFD SHFKVSQOKLAG EHLAYFTVHKDCENEAFPLSYENVRLADNWTANVSEQEYQBAIAN 120
 FD+ + +L E+LAYFTVHK C+ + PL Y+++ + + W + ++ YQ+AI
 Sbjct: 63 FFDNALQTHNDRLGNEYLAYFTVHKTCQKDLPLDYDSITIPNQWVSATQKAYQKAIET 122

35 Query: 121 IKGQIRQGN TYQVNYTLELSQQL--CSDPFSVYERLMVEQAGYNAYIA YDDKRILSVSPE 179
 I +++QGNTYQVNYTL+L+Q+L +D ++Y +L+VEQ AGYNAYIA+D+ ++S SPE
 Sbjct: 123 IHREM QGNTYQVNYTLQLTQELNAADSLAIYKNLVEQAAGYNAYIAHDEFAVISASPE 182

40 Query: 180 LFFKKKDEVLTTRPMKGT SARKPTYQEDVAERDWLANDPKNRSENMMIVDLLRNDMGRIC 239
 LFFK++ LTRPMKGT+ R D E DWL D KNRSENMMIVDLLRNDMG+IC
 Sbjct: 183 LFFKQEGNRLTTRPMKGT TTKRGVNSWLDQQEHDWLQADGKNRSENMMIVDLLRNDMGKIC 242

45 Query: 240 DVGTVKVKKLCQVEQYATVWQMTSTIEGVLSPVETLMSIFQALYPCGSITGAPKISTMAI 299
 G+V+V +LC+VE+Y+TVWQMTSTI G L + L+ I +AL+PCGSITGAPK+STMAI
 Sbjct: 243 QTGSVRVDRLC E V ERYSTVWQMTSTIVGDLKADCDLIDILKALFPCGSITGAPKVSTMAI 302

50 Query: 300 INELEKRPRIYCGTIGLCMPDQGAIFNVPIRTVQMKQQAYYGVGGITWESQTDSEYE 359
 I LE +PRGIYCG+IG+C+PDG+ FNVPIRT+Q+ QA YGVGGITW+S+ + EYE
 Sbjct: 303 ITSLEPKPRGIYCGSIGICLPDGRFFNVPIRTIQLSHNQATYGVGGITWQSKWEDEYE 362

55 Query: 360 ETRQKSAVLTRVNP K FQLIT TGRVTENKLLFSQQHVERLVESASYFAYSFDKSKFERELK 419
 E QK+A L R F L TT +V K+ F +QH+ RL E+A+YFAY +++ +++L
 Sbjct: 363 EVHQKTAFLYRHKQIFDLKTTAKVEHKKIAFLBQHLNRLKEAATYFAYPYNEKALQKQLS 422

60 Query: 420 KYLHQLDEKDYRLKIMLDKTGKVTFEVKQLVNLSKKFLTAEVVVQDYPIKLSPTTYFKTS 479
 YL + YRL I L K GK++ + L LS FLTA++ +Q + SPTTYFKTS
 Sbjct: 423 TYLENKNNAAYRLMIRLSKDGKISLSDQPLEPLSADFLTAQLSLQKKDVTASEPTTYFKTS 482

Query: 480 YRPHIEGQNEKIFVSPGGLLLETSGNIVLEKNGRFLTPDLSEGGLNGIYRRHLLKNQK 539
 YRPHI + E++F + G LLETSGN+ ++ TP ++ G L G++R+ LL +

Sbjct: 483 YRPHIEQKSYEQLFYNQAGQLLETSGNLFVQLGQTLTYTPPVAVGILPGLFRQELLATGQ 542

Query: 540 VIEAPLTLKDLESADAIYACNAVRGLYPLNLK 571
 E +TL DL+ A AI+ NAVRGLYPLNL+

Sbjct: 543 AQEKEVTLADLKEASAIFGGNAVRGLYPLNLE 574

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 13

A DNA sequence (GBSx0010) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 29> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 30>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 20

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

10 ----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1564 (Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

15 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 31> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 32>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 13

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

20 ----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.5335 (Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

25 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 220/267 (82%), Positives = 243/267 (90%)

30 Query: 10 LLEITK IARATYYYQLK LNKPNKD KAIKSDIQSIYDEHRGNYGYRRIYLELRNRGFVI 69
+LLEI ++R+TYYYQ+K+L + +KD +K I+ IYDEH+GNYGYRRI++ELRNRGFV+
Sbjct: 1 MLLEILDLSRSTYYYQVKRLAQGDKDIELKHVIREIYDEHKGNVGYRRIHMELRNRGFVV 60

35 Query: 70 NHKRVQGLMKSMGLTARIRRRKRYASYKGEVGKKADNLIQRQFEGSKPYEKCYTDVTEFA 129
NHK+VQ LMK MGL ARIRRRKRY+SYKGEVGKKADNLI+R FEGSKPYEKCYTDVTE A
Sbjct: 61 NHKKVQRLMKVMGLAARIRRRKRYSSYKGEVGKKADNLIKRHFEGSKPYEKCYTDVTELA 120

40 Query: 130 LPEGKLYLSPVLDGYNSEIIDFTLSRSPDLKQVQTMLEAFPAASYSETILHSDQGWQYQ 189
LPEGKLYLSPVLDGYNSEIIDFTLSRSP+LKQVQTMLE+ FPA SYS TILHSDQGWQYQ
Sbjct: 121 LPEGKLYLSPVLDGYNSEIIDFTLSRSPNLKQVQTMLEKTFPADSYSCTILHSDQGWQYQ 180

45 Query: 190 HKSYHQFLEDKGIRPSMSRKGNSPDNGMMESFFGILKSEMFYGLEKSYKSLDDLEQAITD 249
H+SYH FLE KGI SMSRKGNSPDNGMMESFFGILKSEMFYGLE +Y+SLD LE+AITD
Sbjct: 181 HQSYHDFLESKGILASMSRKGNSPDNGMMESFFGILKSEMFYGLETTYQSLDKLEEAITD 240

50 Query: 250 YIFYNNKRIKAKLKG LSPVQYRTKSF 276
YIFYNNKRIKAKLKG SPVQYRTKSF
Sbjct: 241 YIFYNNKRIKAKLKG FSPVQYRTKSF 267

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 14

A DNA sequence (GBSx0011; GBSx2234) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 33> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 34>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 27

55

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

5 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3578(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 35> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 36>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

10 Possible site: 25

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

15 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3869(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

20 Identities = 107/170 (62%), Positives = 134/170 (77%)

Query: 1 MKLSYEDKLEIYELRKIGMSWSQISQRYDVRISNLKYMIKLMDRYGVEIVEKGRNEYYP 60
 MK + E K++IYELR++G S IS+++D+ S+LKYMI+L+DRYGV IV+K +N YY P
 Sbjct: 1 MKFNQETKVKIYELRQMGESIKSISKKFDMAESDLKYMIRLIDRYGVITIVQCKKNHYSP 60
 25 Query: 61 ELKQEMIDKVLIHGCSQLSVSLDYALSNCISILTNWLSQFKKNGYTIVEKTRGRPSKMGRK 120
 ELKQE+I+KVLII G SQ SLDYAL S+L+ W++Q+KKNGYTI+EK RGRPSKMGRK
 Sbjct: 61 ELKQEIINKVLIDGQSQKQTSLDYALPTSSMLSRWIAQYKKNGYTILEKPRGRPSKMGRK 120
 30 Query: 121 RKKTWEEEMTELERLQEENERLRTENAFLLKLRDLRLRDEALQSERQKQLE 170
 RKK EEMTE+ERLQ+E E R ENA LKKLR+ RLRDEA E+QK +
 Sbjct: 121 RKKNLEEMTEVERLQKELEYPRANAFLKLRVRLRDEAKLKEQKQSF 170

35 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 15

A DNA sequence (GBSx0012) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 37> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 38>. This protein is predicted to be oxyR protein. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

40 Possible site: 22

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

45 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1323(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

50 A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 10033> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 10034> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAA91664 GB:Z67753 former trsE (rbcR homolog) [Odontella sinensis]
 Identities = 72/259 (27%), Positives = 127/259 (48%), Gaps = 7/259 (2%)
 55 Query: 5 QKLMYLESIELYSNITKAAHLFISQPYLSKVIKQLENELEIKLIQSQGHQTFITYAGQR 64
 Q+L L++I + T+AA LF+SQP LSK IK LE+ L I L+ + + LT AG+

5 Sbjct: 8 QQLRILKAIATEKSFTRAAEVLVFSQPSLSKQIKTLESRLNISLLNRENNIVSLTQAGKL 67
 Query: 65 YLFYLKEIDMIERQMAKELYLIRSDKKGEITLGINSGLOSSILANVLPKFNLEHPEISVK 124
 +L Y + I + + + L +++ +G + +G + + + ++ VL F HP+I+++
 Sbjct: 68 FLEYSERILALCEESCRVLNLDLKTGDRGNLIVGASQTIGTYLMPRVLALFAQNHQPQINIE 127
 Query: 125 LLENNQNISEQLVASGDIDLAV--GMAPILYKDGIASTTIYRDELFLMIPTTSQLYNAEK 182
 + ++ + V GDID+AV G P + + DEL L+IP + +K
 10 Sbjct: 128 VHVDSTRKIAKRVLEGDIDIAVVGNIPEETKKNLKVDFVNDLILILIPKSHPFALKKK 187
 Query: 183 RGQIIPFEYPISVLD-NEPLILTPLEYGIGKTIAQFYELHHMSLNQMITTSTVPTAASLS 241
 + Y ++ + N + L I IA F + Q+ + + TA SL
 Sbjct: 188 KKINKDDLYHLNFITLNSNSTIRKLIDNLIQIA-FEPKQFNIIMQLNSIEAIKTAVSL- 245
 15 Query: 242 LSGMGATFVPQTLIHRYLD 260
 G+GA FV + I + ++
 Sbjct: 246 --GLGAAFVSSSAIEKEIE 262

20 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 39> which encodes the amino acid
 sequence <SEQ ID 40>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

25 Possible site: 30
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -1.28 Transmembrane 109 - 125 (109 - 126)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.27 Transmembrane 146 - 162 (146 - 162)
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1510 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

30 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

35 >GP:AAC22434 GB:U32761 transcriptional regulator [Haemophilus influenzae Rd]
 Identities = 157/303 (51%), Positives = 221/303 (72%)
 Query: 2 IRQGESYLDIKQIRYFIAIVENHFNLSQAABELLYVSQPTLSMMINDFEKRENVKLFKRKR 61
 + +G +DI+ +RYF++IV+N FNLS+A++ LYVSQP LSMMI +FE REN+++FKR
 Sbjct: 9 VLRGVKMMDIRHLRYFVSIVDNDFNLSRASQNLVVSQPALSMMITEFENRENIQIFKRAS 68
 40 Query: 62 GRIIGLTYLGDNYKDAQKVLSDYDMFLKLHDHSGKLGKGSINIGIPPLILSVVFSEVMP 121
 G+IIGLT+ G+NYY+DA++V+ Y+DM L+ KG+I IGIPPL+LS VFS V+P
 Sbjct: 69 GKIIGLTFAGENYYRDAKEVIKRYNDMRTNLYKSKDCKKGTITIGIPPLVLSAVFSSVLP 128
 45 Query: 122 KLILENPGIQFNVKEIGAYQLKNELLVGNVDVAVLLSPTGIADNLVETYEIQRSELSVCL 181
 LIL+NP I F +KEIGAY LK+ELL+ VD+AVLL P I+ N++++ EI SEL++ L
 Sbjct: 129 HLILKNPDINFIIKEIGAYALKSELLLDKVDLAVLLYPERISKNIIDSIEIHSSELALPL 188
 Query: 182 SPRHLASKKVIQWEDLTDEQLALFDPSFMVHHLVLEACERHQVRPNIIILTSSSWDFMLN 241
 SP+H LA K+ I W DL +++A+FD +FM+HH + EA ER+ P+I+L SS WDF+L+
 50 Sbjct: 189 SPKHVLAKKQQTWADLHQKMAIFDQTFMIHHHLKEAFERNNCYPDIVLDSSCWDFLLS 248
 Query: 242 STKINHNVLTICPKPITELYQLKDIKIPMERPISWRVVLTRLRKKSYSEIEAYIMDDL 301
 + K N +LTI P P+ ELY K+ C +E P+ W+V L R RK Y+ +E YI D LL
 Sbjct: 249 AVKTNKELLTILELPMAELYHSKEFLCRKIESPVPWKVTLCRQRKTVYTHLEEYIFDKLL 308
 55 Query: 302 QSF 304
 ++F
 Sbjct: 309 EAF 311

60 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

60 Identities = 61/227 (26%), Positives = 111/227 (48%), Gaps = 10/227 (4%)
 Query: 9 YLESIELYSNITKAAAHLFISQPYLSKVIKQLENELEIKLIQ-SQGHQTFITYAGQRYLF 67
 ++ +E + N+++AA L++SQP LS +I E +KL + +G LTY G Y
 Sbjct: 17 FIAIVENHFNLSQAABELLYVSQPTLSMMINDFEKRENVKLFKRKRGRRIIGLTYLGDNYK 76

Query: 68 YLKEIDMIERQMAKELYLIRSDIKKGEITLGINSGLIANVLPKFNLEHPEISVKLLE 127
 +++ + M +L+ KG I +GI + S + + V+PK LE+P I + E
 Sbjct: 77 DAQKVLSLYDDMFLKLHDHSGKLGKGSINIGIPPLILSVFSEVMPKLILENPGIQFNVE 136
 Query: 128 NNQNISEQLVASGDIDLAVGMAPILYKDGIAST-TIYRDELFLMIPTTSQLYNAEKRQOI 186
 + + G++D+AV ++P D + T I R EL + + +L A K+ +
 Sbjct: 137 IGAYQLKNELLVGNVDVAVLLSPTGIADNLVETYEIQRSELSVCLSPRHRL--ASKK--V 192
 Query: 187 IPFEYPISVLDNEPLILTPLEYGIGKTTIAQFYELHHMSLNQMITTST 233
 I +E L +E L L + + + + E H + N ++T+S+
 Sbjct: 193 IQWE---DLTDEQLALFDPSFMVHHLVLEACERHQVRPNIIILTSSS 235

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 16

A DNA sequence (GBSx0013) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 41> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 42>. This protein is predicted to be aminoacylase (cpsA). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 43
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.75 Transmembrane 385 - 401 (385 - 401)
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1298(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:
 >GP:AAF36227 GB:AF168363 aminoacylase [Lactococcus lactis]
 Identities = 201/395 (50%), Positives = 274/395 (68%), Gaps = 5/395 (1%)
 Query: 6 LRHQLEKLDQKCDQMAIRRYLHENPELSFKETKTAAYISDFYKGDCHVQTQFGGMNG 65
 L + L L Q ++M+ IRR+LH+ PE+SF+E +T YI FYK DC + G G
 Sbjct: 3 LLNLLTSLTQYENEMIQIRRLHQYPEISFQEKETFKYIMGFYKELDCEPKLIGKGF-G 61
 Query: 66 VVVDIYGDKATDKPIKHIALRADFDALPIQEETGLSFASKTAGVMHACGHDAHTAYLLIL 125
 ++VDI G K+ K +ALRADFDAL I E+ LSF S GVMHACGHDAHTAYL++L
 Sbjct: 62 IIVDIEGKSG---KTALRADFDALAFEDNDLSFKSVNPGVMHACGHDAHTAYLMVL 117
 Query: 126 AESLIELKSEFSGHIRILHQPAEEVPPGAKAMIEAGCLDGIDAVLGIHVMSTMEEGTVQ 185
 A L+++K E G +RI+HQPAEEV PGGAK+MI+AG LDG+D ++G+HVM+T++ G +
 Sbjct: 118 ARELVKIKQELPGRVRIVHQPAEEVSPGAKSMIKAGALDGVNMGVHVMTTIKTGIVIA 177
 Query: 186 YHAGPIQTGRATFKVILQKGKGGHSMPHRANDTIVAASSFVMAAQTVISRRVNPFDTAVV 245
 YH QTGR+ F + ++G GGH SMP +ND IVAAS FV QT++SRR++PFD V
 Sbjct: 178 YHNKETQTGRSNFTITIKNGGHSMPQLSNDIAVAASYFVTELQTVISRRIDPFDMGTV 237
 Query: 246 TIGSFDGKGSANVIKDSVTLEGDVRVMSEETRGVVEEEFKRILDGIAQTYGVSYQLDYQN 305
 TIGSFDG GS N I+D V L+GDVR+M E TR V+ ++ K+I G+ T+GV +DY +
 Sbjct: 238 TIGSFDGAGSFNAIQDKVLLKGDVRMMKETTRKVIRDQVKQIAKGVGVTFGVEIVDYDD 297
 Query: 306 DYPVLVNNSEVTQKVANSLSKVAIKEILDVIDCDPQTPSEDFAYYAQTIPACFFVGAHE 365
 +YPVL N+ +T V +SLK I E+ +++D PQ PSEDF+YY Q +P+ FFY+GA
 Sbjct: 298 NYPVLFNSENLFHFVVDLSKQNISEVNINIVDLGPQNPSSEDFSYYGQVVPSTFFYIGAQP 357
 Query: 366 EGQPYYPHHPKFOIAESSLMVSAKSMATAALAML 400
 E YPHH P F++ E S++++AK++AT + L
 Sbjct: 358 EDGGNYPHHSPLFKMNEKSILIAAKAVATVTINYL 392

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 17

- 5 A DNA sequence (GBSx0014) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 43> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 44>. This protein is predicted to be drug transporter. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Lipop: Possible site: -1   Crend: 8
McG: Discrim Score:      6.19
10 GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -0.899999
    Possible site: 31
    >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.
ALOM program   count: 11 value: -12.15 threshold: 0.0
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -12.15   Transmembrane 169 - 185 ( 166 - 190)
15    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -8.86   Transmembrane 229 - 245 ( 224 - 250)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -8.65   Transmembrane 82 - 98 ( 78 - 111)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -8.60   Transmembrane 436 - 452 ( 428 - 457)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -7.48   Transmembrane 202 - 218 ( 198 - 222)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -4.99   Transmembrane 334 - 350 ( 332 - 352)
20    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -4.88   Transmembrane 358 - 374 ( 354 - 376)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -4.09   Transmembrane 301 - 317 ( 301 - 317)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -2.81   Transmembrane 102 - 118 ( 101 - 119)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -2.71   Transmembrane 52 - 68 ( 50 - 70)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -1.70   Transmembrane 271 - 287 ( 270 - 288)
25    PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 0.32     401
    modified ALOM score: 2.93

*** Reasoning Step: 3

30 ----- Final Results -----
        bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5861(Affirmative) < succ>
        bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
        bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

35 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAE02058 GB:Z79702 hypothetical protein Rv2333c [Mycobacterium tuberculosis]
Identities = 118/405 (29%), Positives = 199/405 (49%), Gaps = 9/405 (2%)

Query: 13 KLLVGIVLAVLSFWLFAQS-ILNMG-PDVQSSLGSSGAMDIGVSSTALFSGLFIVVTGG 70
40 +LL I + F +F + I+N+ PD+Q S + + V+S +L +FI+
Sbjct: 5 QLLTLIATGLGLEFMIFLDALIVNVALPDIQRSFAVGEDGLQWVVASYSGLMAVFIMSAAAT 64

Query: 71 LADKLGRVKFTFIGLCLNIIGSLILVLANGAVLFIMGRIFQGLAAAFIMPSTMALVKITYY 130
LAD GR ++ IG+ L +GS+ LA + R QGL AA + +++ALV +
45 Sbjct: 65 LADLDGRRRWYLGVSFLTGLGSIACGLAPSI AVLTTARGAQGLGAAAVSVTSLALVSAAF 124

Query: 131 -DGKDRQRAVSFWSIGSWGSGSLCSYFGGAVASTLGWRYVFIFSI-IASVVSFLLILGTP 188
+ K++ RA+ W+ + G+ GG + GWR +F ++ + ++V FL +
50 Sbjct: 125 PEAKEKARAIGIWTAIASIGTTTGPTLGLLDVDQWGWSIFVYVNLPMGALVFLTLCYVE 184

Query: 189 ESKNVGQKTHFDYLGLIIFIISMLSLNIGISMAQEHGLMNVIPLSLFTVMLIGFVLFYYV 248
ES N + FD G ++FI+++ +L + + G +V + + +G LF ++
Sbjct: 185 ESN-ERARRFDLSGQLLFIVAVGALVYAVIEGPQIGWTSVQITVMLWTAAGVGCALFVWL 243

55 Query: 249 ETRKSNFSIDFHLFENRFY-LGATISNFFLLNAVAGTLIVINTYMQQGRQLTPKVAGEMSL 307
E R SN +D LF + Y L + AV G L++ ++Q R TP V G M L
Sbjct: 244 ERRSSNPMMDLTLFRDTSYALAIATICTVFFAVYGMILLTTQFLQNVRGYTPSVTGLMIL 303

Query: 308 GYLVCVLIAIRVGEKILQRFGARKPMLLGAMSTFVGIFLMTLVNIQGPVLYLVLFVFGYAL 367
+ V I + ++ R GAR P+L G +G+ ++ + LV VG L
60
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Sbjct: 304 PFSAAVAIVSPLVGHVGRIGARVPILAGLCMLMLGLMLIFSEHRSS---ALVLVGLGL 360

Query: 368 FGTGLGIYATPSTDTAIISSIPNEKVGSGIYKMASSLGGAIGVA 412

G+G+ + TP T A++++P E+ G ASGI ++G IG A

5 Sbjct: 361 CGSGVALCLTPITTVAMTAVPAERAGMASGIMSQAIRAGSTIGFA 405

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 45> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 46>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 61

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>>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq

INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -8.28	Transmembrane	169 - 185 (165 - 189)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -8.23	Transmembrane	12 - 28 (11 - 32)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -8.17	Transmembrane	429 - 445 (423 - 450)
15 INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -6.64	Transmembrane	203 - 219 (200 - 222)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -5.41	Transmembrane	227 - 243 (225 - 245)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -3.72	Transmembrane	82 - 98 (80 - 99)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -3.72	Transmembrane	136 - 152 (135 - 155)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -2.92	Transmembrane	302 - 318 (299 - 319)
20 INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -2.55	Transmembrane	261 - 277 (261 - 277)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -2.07	Transmembrane	331 - 347 (331 - 347)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -1.06	Transmembrane	56 - 72 (56 - 72)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -0.96	Transmembrane	351 - 367 (351 - 368)
25 INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -0.37	Transmembrane	104 - 120 (103 - 120)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4312(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

30

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

!GB:AJ250422 ORFC [Oenococcus oeni] 271 1e-71
Identities = 152/445 (34%), Positives = 248/445 (55%), Gaps = 7/445 (1%)

35 Query: 1 MSHHQQTFSKQTIMAIIAIALIGFSGILSETSMNVTFPTLMSVYQLPLNSLQNMTTIYLL 60
M Q VS +AI+ +A + F G+L ETSMNVTFTLM + + LN +QW+TT YLL
Sbjct: 1 MQKDNQPVSLHVKLAILGLAGLAFCGVLIETSMNVTFPTLMQQFSISLNKQWLTTAYLL 60

40 Query: 61 AVAIMMTSATLKKNVREPLFFMATGLFTFTILAVLTQSFAMLLARIFQIGTGLVM 120
VA ++ +A ++K + +FF A LF G I + L +F I+L+ R+ Q + TGL +
Sbjct: 61 LVAATISIAAFIEKRIFFKIFFWAGLFIIGVICASALAPNFLILLIGRLIQALSTGLAI 120

45 Query: 121 PQMFNIILERVPMHKVGLFMGFAGLIISLAPAFGPTYGGFMISHFSWQWIFICILPVPLI 180
P + I++++P K G +M ++ P+ GPTYGG + SW+ IF +LP+ LI
Sbjct: 121 PLLITEIMQQIPQKKQSSYMELVEWLLWQPSLGPITYGGVITQDLSRWLIFWVLPFIGLI 180

50 Query: 181 AGILAYYYLEDSPVSEKVPFDWLAFIALSISLTSALLAITSLE-NGSVNLYLGLFILSF 239
A ++ ++E K+PF W FI+L ++L S +A+ + G ++ + G +++
Sbjct: 181 AWLIGLSFIEQSSPSKIPFAWKQFISLILALLSITVAVMNAGIYGWTSIKFYGFLLIAV 240

55 Query: 240 IL---FLYKNLTAKQPFLDIRILKIPSLTIFGLIPFFVFQLINLGINFLTPTNFIVMEKIAN 296
IL F+ + ++Q + I I K L+ +F+ Q I L + FL PN+ +
Sbjct: 241 ILLIVFIKLSTNSRQALISISIFKKWEFVCPLLIYFLIQFIQLSLTFLPNYAQLILKKG 300

60 Query: 297 SSQAGMVLPLPGTLLGALLAPAFGLKYDQKGARLSLYLGNALFSLSLIIMTLQTRHFMLLP 356
+G++LL G+L+ A+L P G++ D ++ L +G S I T+ R+ +
Sbjct: 301 VMISGIMLLCGSLISAILQPLTGRMLDSFSVKIPLVIGAFFLTSTISFTIFQRYLSVFL 360

65 Query: 357 FTLLYILFTFGNMGFNNSLATAIRELPAEKNAATAIFQMMQFAGALGTAMAS-LIAN 415
LY+++ G + FNNSL A+++LP + +D A+F +QQ+AG+LGT++AS L+AN
Sbjct: 361 IAALYVIYMIGFSFVFNNSTLYALQKLPKLISDGNVFNLTQQYAGSLGTSVASALLAN 420

Query: 416 SQAEFTSGVQSVYLLFTIFALLDFI 440

T G QS Y +L+FI

65 Sbjct: 421 GIG--TDGKQSNYTGSRHIFILNFI 443

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 91/369 (24%), Positives = 160/369 (42%), Gaps = 14/369 (3%)

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5  Query: 82  FIGLCLNIIGSLIIVLANGAVLFIMGRIFQGLAAAFIMPSTMALVKTYDGDQRRAVSF 141
      F+   L   G++L VL      + ++ RIFQG+      +MP   ++           + F
      Sbjct: 83  FMATGLFTFGTILAVLTQSFAIMLLARIFQGIGTGLVMPQMFNIILERVPMHKVGLFMGF 142

10  Query: 142  WSIGSWGGSGLCSYFGGAVASTLGWRYVFIFSIISVVSFLLILGTPESKNVGQKTHFDY 201
      +           +GG + S   W+++FI +   +++ +L   E   V +K  FD+
      Sbjct: 143  AGLIISLAPAFGPTYGGFMISHFSWQWIFICILPVPLIAGILAYYYLEDSPVSEKVPFDW 202

      Query: 202  LGLIIFIISMLSLNIGISMAQEHGLMNVIPLSLFTVMLIGFVLFFYYVETRKSNSFIDFHL 261
      L   I   IS+ S   + I+ + E+G +N+  L LF   ++ F+LF Y           F+D +
15  Sbjct: 203  LAFIALSISLTSALLAIT-SLENGSVNLVYLGLF---ILSFILFLYKNLTAKQPFDIRI 258

      Query: 262  FENRFYLGATISNFFLNAV-AGTLIVINTYMQQGRQLTPKVAGEMSL-GYLVCVLIIRV 319
      +           I  F+   + G   +   ++   +   AG + L G L+  L+A
20  Sbjct: 259  LKIPSLTFLGIPFFVFQLINLGINFLTPNFTVMEKIANSSQAGMVLLPGTLLGALLAPAF 318

      Query: 320  GEKILQRFGARKPMLLGAMSTFVGFIFLMTLVNIQGFPLYLVLF-VGYALFGTGLGIYATP 378
      G K+   + GAR   + LG   + + +MTL   Q   +++L F + Y LF  G   +
      Sbjct: 319  G-KLYDQKGARLSLYLGNALFSLSLIIMTL---QTRHFMLLPFTLLYLFTFGRNMGFNN 374

25  Query: 379  STDTAISSIPNEKVGSGAGIYKMASSLGGAIGVATSIATYHAFSGNADFHKAALCGLILN 438
      S   TAI  +P EK  A+ I++M      GA+G A + I ++   A+F           +L
      Sbjct: 375  SLATAIRELPAEKNADATAIFQMMQGFAGALGTAMASLIANS---QAEFTSGVQSVYLLF 431

30  Query: 439  LVFCSLSIL 447
      +F   L   +
      Sbjct: 432  TIFALLDFI 440

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

35 Example 18

A DNA sequence (GBSx0015) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 47> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 48>. This protein is predicted to be transposase. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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40  Possible site: 45

      >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

      ----- Final Results -----
45      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3116(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

50 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 19

A DNA sequence (GBSx0016) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 49> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 50>. This protein is predicted to be L11 protein (rplK). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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5   Possible site: 21

   >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

   ----- Final Results -----
10      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1859(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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15  >GP:CAA53739 GB:X76134 L11 protein [Staphylococcus carnosus]
    Identities = 117/139 (84%), Positives = 129/139 (92%)

    Query: 1   MAKKVEKLVKLQIPAGKATPAPPVGPALGQAGINIMGFTKEFNARTADQAGMIIPVVISV 60
              MAKKVEK+VKLQIPAGKA PAPPVGPALGQAG+NIMGF KEFNART +QAG+IIPV ISV
20  Sbjct: 1   MAKKVEKVVKLQIPAGKANPAPPVGPALGQAGVNIMGFCKEFNARTQEQAGLIIPVEISV 60

    Query: 61  YEDKSFDFITKTPPAVLLKKAAGVEKSGSEPNKTKVATITRAQVQEIATKMPDLNAAN 120
              YED+SF FITKTPPA VLLKKAAGVEKSGSEPNK KVAT+T+ QV+EIA+TKMPDLNAA+
25  Sbjct: 61  YEDRSFTFITKTPPAVLLKKAAGVEKSGSEPNKKNKVATVTKDQVREIAQT KMPDLNAAD 120

    Query: 121 LESAMRMIEGTARSMGFTV 139
              E+AMR+IEGTARSMG TV
    Sbjct: 121 EEAAMRIIEGTARSMGITV 139

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30 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 51> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 52>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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    Possible site: 45

    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

35  ----- Final Results -----
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.4276(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

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    Identities = 136/141 (96%), Positives = 139/141 (98%)

45  Query: 1   MAKKVEKLVKLQIPAGKATPAPPVGPALGQAGINIMGFTKEFNARTADQAGMIIPVVISV 60
              MAKKVEKLVKLQIPAGKATPAPPVGPALGQAGINIMGFTKEFNARTADQAGMIIPVVISV
    Sbjct: 25  MAKKVEKLVKLQIPAGKATPAPPVGPALGQAGINIMGFTKEFNARTADQAGMIIPVVISV 84

    Query: 61  YEDKSFDFITKTPPAVLLKKAAGVEKSGSEPNKTKVATITRAQVQEIATKMPDLNAAN 120
              YEDKSFDFITKTPPAVLLKKAAGVEKSGS FN TKVAT+TRAQVQEIATKMPDLNAAN
50  Sbjct: 85  YEDKSFDFITKTPPAVLLKKAAGVEKSGTENTTKVATVTRAQVQEIATKMPDLNAAN 144

    Query: 121 LESAMRMIEGTARSMGFTVTD 141
              +E+AMRMIEGTARSMGFTVTD
    Sbjct: 145 IEAAMRMIEGTARSMGFTVTD 165
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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 20

A DNA sequence (GBSx0017) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 53> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 54>. This protein is predicted to be ribosomal protein L1 (rplA). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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5   Possible site: 30

   >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

   ----- Final Results -----
10      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2285(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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15  >GP:CAE11879 GB:Z99104 ribosomal protein L1 (BL1) [Bacillus subtilis]
    Identities = 144/228 (63%), Positives = 177/228 (77%)

    Query: 1   MAKKSKNLRAALEKIDSTKAYSVEEAAVALAKETNFAKFDATVEVSYNLNIDVKKADQQIR 60
              MAKK K   A + +D +KAY V EAAVL K+TN AKFDATVEV++ L +D K   QQIR
20  Sbjct: 1   MAKKGKKYVEAAKLVDHSAKYDVSEAAVALVKKINTAKFDATVEVAFRLGVDPSPKHNHQQIR 60

    Query: 61  GAMVLPAGTGKTSRVLVFARGAKAEEAKAAGADFGEDDLVAKIQGGWLDVDFVVIATPDM 120
              GA+VLP GTGKT RVLVFA+G KA+EA+AGADFGV+ D + KIQ GW DFDV++ATPDM
25  Sbjct: 61  GAVVLPNGTGKTQRLVLFARGAKAEEAKAAGADFGDGDYINKIQQGWDFDVIATPDM 120

    Query: 121 MALVGRGLGRVLGPRNLMPNPKTGTVTMDVAKAVEESKGGKITYRADKAGNVQALIGKVSF 180
              M   VG++GRVLGP+ LMPNPKTGTVT +V KA+ E K GK+ YR DKAGN+   IGKVSF
30  Sbjct: 121 MGEVGKIGRVLGPKGLMPNPKTGTVTFEVEKAIGEIKAGKVEYRVDKAGNIHVPICKVSF 180

    Query: 181 DDAKLVDNFKA FN DVI V KAKPATAKGT YITNLSITTTQGVGIKVD P NS 228
              +D KLV+NF   D I+KAKPA AKG Y+ N+++T+T G G+KVD ++
35  Sbjct: 181 EDEKLVENFTTMYDTILKAKPAAAKGVYVKNVAVTSTMGPVGKVDSS 228

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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 55> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 56>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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    Possible site: 22

    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

40  ----- Final Results -----
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2309(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

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    Identities = 208/229 (90%), Positives = 220/229 (95%)

    Query: 1   MAKKSKNLRAALEKIDSTKAYSVEEAAVALAKEITNFAKFDATVEVSYNLNIDVKKADQQIR 60
              MAKKSK +RAALEK+DSTKAYSVEEAAVAL KETNFAKFDA+VEV+YNLNIDV+KADQQIR
50  Sbjct: 1   MAKKSKQMRRAALEKVDSTKAYSVEEAAVALVKETNFAKFDA SVEVAYNLNIDVRKADQQIR 60

    Query: 61  GAMVLPAGTGKTSRVLVFARGAKAEEAKAAGADFGEDDLVAKIQGGWLDVDFVVIATPDM 120
              GAMVLP GTGKT RVLVFAARGAKAEEAKAAGADFGEDDLVAKI GGWLDVDFVVIATPDM
55  Sbjct: 61  GAMVLPNGTGKTQRLVLFARGAKAEEAKAAGADFGEDDLVAKINGWLDVDFVVIATPDM 120

    Query: 121 MALVGRGLGRVLGPRNLMPNPKTGTVTMDVAKAVEESKGGKITYRADKAGNVQALIGKVSF 180
              MA+VGRGLGRVLGPRNLMPNPKTGTVTMDVAKAVEESKGGKITYRADKAGNVQALIGKVSF
60  Sbjct: 121 MAIVGRGLGRVLGPRNLMPNPKTGTVTMDVAKAVEESKGGKITYRADKAGNVQALIGKVSF 180

    Query: 181 DDAKLVDNFKA FN DVI V KAKPATAKGT YITNLSITTTQGVGIKVD P NSL 229
              D   KLV+NPKAF+DV+ KAKPATAKGT Y+ N+SIT+TQGVGIKVD P NSL

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Sbjct: 181 DADKLVENFKAFHDVMAKAKPATAKGTVMANVSITSTQGVGIKVPNSL 229

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

5 Example 21

A DNA sequence (GBSx0018) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 57> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 58>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 25

10 >>> May be a lipoprotein

----- Final Results -----

15 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 10029> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 10030> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

20 >GP:BAE04286 GB:AP001509 nickel transport system (nickel-binding
protein) [Bacillus halodurans]
Identities = 209/541 (38%), Positives = 324/541 (59%), Gaps = 14/541 (2%)

25 Query: 5 RRNILLSITCLLMVTLTACHSQDS----KSHKLNSDK-LTLAWGEDFGDVNPHRYNPDQF 59
R+ ILL + L+ L C +S + N++K +T +W D G +NPH YNP Q
Sbjct: 6 RKLILLFVISLISSILVGCAESSESGTVSNEGEENTKESITFSWPRDIGPMNPHVYNPSQL 65

30 Query: 60 VIQDMVYEGLVRYGDNGKIEPALAKSWSISQDGKTYTFKLRNA-KYSDGSNFNAANVKRN 118
Q M+YE LV Y + G+++P LA SW+IS+DGK YTFKL R ++SDG+ FNA VK+N
Sbjct: 66 FAQSMIYEPLVSYTEGGELQPHLADSWTISEDGKEYTFKLREGVQFSDGTFPNAEIVKKN 125

35 Query: 119 FDSIFSKSNRGNHNWFLNTNQLNRYALNQSTFEIKLKQAYSATLYDLRSMIRPIRFLSDS 178
FD+ S+ H+W + N LE +++ TF++ LK+ Y L DL+++RP+RFL ++
Sbjct: 126 FDTWIEHSSL--HSWLGVMNVLEKTEVVDEFTEFKMVLKEPYYPALQDLAVVRPVRFLGEA 183

40 Query: 179 AFPKGDDTTKKNVKKPIGTGQVWVSKKQNEYITFKRNENYWGKKPKLKEVTVKVIPDAQ 238
FP DT++ +K+PIGTG W++ KQ+EY F RN NYWG+ PK+ +VTVK+IPDA+
Sbjct: 184 GFPDDGDTSQ-GIKEPIGTGPWMLSDYKQDEYAVFTRNPNYWGESP KIDKVTVKIIPDAE 242

45 Query: 239 TRALAFESGDVLIYNGIIGLDTFAQYTKDKKYVTAISQPMSTRLLLLNAKESIFQDKK 298
TR LAFESG++DLI+G G+I +D F Q + +Y T +S+P+ TR LLLN D +
Sbjct: 243 TRVLAFESGELDLIFGEGVISMDAFNQLKESGQYGTDLSEPVGTRSLLLNTSNEKLADLR 302

50 Query: 299 VRQAMNHAIKVSIAKNTFRGTEKPADTIFSKSTSHSDAKLNPYSYNVDKANQLLDQAGW 358
VR A++H +K ++ + G E+ AD I S + ++D + P Y+V++AN LD+AGW
Sbjct: 303 VRLALHHGFNKAQAMVEGVTGLGLEKADNLLSTNFPYTDIDVEPIEYDVEQANAYLDEAGW 362

55 Query: 359 KMGKDK-VREKDGKTLTLRLPYIATKATDKDLVTYFQGEWRKIGINVSILIAMEEDDYWAN 417
++ K VREK+G+ L L L Y T K + Q EW IG+ + + +E
Sbjct: 363 ELPAGKTVREKNGEQLELELIYDKTDPLQKAMAETMQAEWAAIGVKLDITGLELTQIQR 422

Query: 418 AKKGNFDMMLTYSWGAPWDPHAWMSALTAKADHGHHPENIALENLATKTEMDRLIKSALVD 477
+ G+FD+ Y++GAP+DPH++++ + A+A G E A NL+ K E+D +++ L
Sbjct: 423 RRAGDFDVFDFWYNYGAPYDPHSFIN-VVAEAGWGAEE--AHSNLSMKELDEQVRATLAS 479

Query: 478 PKEENVDRDYKKVLELLHDEAVYIPLTYQSVISVYRKGDFTMRFAFEENSFPLRYIEKNN 538
E Y +L L +++V++P++Y VY++ + F + P I+ +N
Sbjct: 480 TDETERQELYGSILNTLQEQSVFVPISYIKKTVVYQE-NVNEFIFPANRDEHPFNGIDVSN 539

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 59> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 60>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 24

5 >>> May be a lipoprotein

----- Final Results -----

10 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 131/497 (26%), Positives = 220/497 (43%), Gaps = 55/497 (11%)

15 Query: 8 ILLSITCLLMVTLTACHSQDSKSHKLN-----SDKLTLAWGEDFGDVNPHRYNP-DQFVI 61
I L +T L++V AC Q ++ + D+L ++ G PH ++P D++ +
Sbjct: 13 ITLFLTLGLILV---ACQQQKPQTKERQKQRPKDELVVSMGAKL-----PHEFDPKDRYGV 65

20 Query: 62 QD---MVYEGLVRYGDNQKIEPALAKSWSISQDGKTYTFKLRNA-KYSDGSNFNANVKR 117
+ + + L++ I+ LAK++ +S+DG T++F L + K+S+G A +VK
Sbjct: 66 HNEGNTIHTSTLLKRSPELDIKGELAKTYHLSSEDGLTWSFDLHDDFKFSNGEPVTADDVKF 125

25 Query: 118 NFDSIFSKSNRGNHNWFLNLTQLENYRALNQSTFEIKLKQAYSATLYDLMSIRPIRFLSD 177
+D + + + ++LT ++N + ++ I L +A+S L+ I PI
Sbjct: 126 TYDML-----KADGKAWDLTF-IKNVEVVGKNQVNIHLTEAHSTFTAQLTEI-PI----- 173

30 Query: 178 SAFFPKG--DDTTKKNVKKPIGTGQWVVKSKKQNEYITFKRNENYWGKKPKLKEVTVKVIP 235
PK +D K N PIG+G ++VK K E F RN + GKPP K+ T V+
Sbjct: 174 --VPKKHYNDKYKSN--PIGSGPYMVKEYKAGEQAIFVRNPYWHGKKPYFKKWT-WVLL 227

35 Query: 236 DAQTRALAFESGDVDLIYNGCIIGLDTFAQYTK---DKKYVTAISQPMSTRLLLLNAKE 291
D T A ESGDVD+IY + D + T+ V +S P + ++ ++ +
Sbjct: 228 DENTALAALESQDVMYATPELA-DKKVKGTRLLDIPSNDVRGLSLPYVKKGVITDSPD 286

40 Query: 346 VDKANQLLDQAGWKMGKDKVREKDGKTLTLRLPYIATKATDKDLVTYFQGEWRKIGINVS 405
V KA QLL +AGWK D R+K L Y +L + + +GI +
Sbjct: 346 VAKAKQLLTAKAGWKEQADGSRKKGDLDAAPDLYYPINDQLRANLAVEVAEQAKALGITIK 405

45 Query: 406 LIAMEEDDYWANAKKGNFDMMLTYSWGAPWDPHANMSALTAKADHGHPEALLENLATKT 465
L A W +D L Y+ G + S + A G NI N T T
Sbjct: 406 LKASN---WDEMATKSHDSALLYAGGRHHAQQFYESHHPSLAGKGW-TNITFYNNPTVT 460

50 Query: 466 E-MDRLIKSAIVDPKEE 481
+ +D+ + S+ +D E
Sbjct: 461 KYLDKAMTSSDLKANE 477

A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8469> and protein <SEQ ID 8470> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

55 Lipop: Possible site: 22 Crend: 5
McG: Discrim Score: 7.69
GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -3.34
Possible site: 25
>>> May be a lipoprotein
ALOM program count: 0 value: 7.21 threshold: 0.0
PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 7.21 273
60 modified ALOM score: -1.94

*** Reasoning Step: 3

ARQRDGRFGMIFHRTWCAPYDPHFALSSM---RVPSHADFQAQQGLADKPLIDKEIGEVLATHDETQROALYRDILTRLH
420 430 440 450 460 470 480

1815 1845 1875 1905 1935 1965 1995 2025
DEAVYIPLTYQSVISVYRKGFDMRFAPFEESSFPLRYIEKNNVSK*FDHQKNIVSFFGIVFHITSNIYSYTINS*FSR
|||||::|||::|||::|||
DEAVLPISYISMVV-SKPELGNIPYAPIATEIPFEQIKPVKF
500 510 520

There is also homology to SEQ ID 318. An alignment of the GAS and GBS sequences follows:

Identities = 44/186 (23%), Positives = 78/186 (41%), Gaps = 27/186 (14%)

Query: 65 VITQMV-DGELLEDEYGNLVP SLAKDWKSKDGLTYTYYTLRDGVSWYTADGEEYAPVTAE 123
VI MV +GL+ + G + P+LAK W +S+DG TYT+ LR+ +DG + +
Sbjct: 57 VIQDMVYEGLVRYGDNKGIEPALAKSWISIQDGKTYTFKLRNA---KYSDGSNFNAANVK 113

Query: 124 DFVTGLKHAVDDKSDALYVVVEDSIKQLKAYQNGEVDKFEKVGKALDDKTQYTLNKPESY 183
 + + + + + ++N +AL+ T + L ++Y
 Sbjct: 114 RNFDISIFSKSNRGNHNWFLNTQLEN-----YRALNQSTFEIKLK--QAY 156

Query: 184 WNSKTTYSLVFPVNAKFLKS----KGKDFGTTDPSSILVNGAYFLSAFTSKSSMEFHKNE 239
S T Y + + FL KG D + + G + + + + F +NE
Sbjct: 157 --SATLYDLSMIRPIRFLSDSAFPKGDDTTKKNVKKPIGTGQVVKSKKQNEYITTFKRNE 214

Query: 240 NYWDAK 245
NYW K
Sbjct: 215 NYWGKK 220

SEQ ID 8470 (GBS186) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 35 (lane 7; MW 60kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 41 (lane 6; MW 85.7kDa).

GBS186-GST was purified as shown in Figure 202, lane 4.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 22

A DNA sequence (GBSx0019) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 61> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 62>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 37

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>>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.
INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -5.95    Transmembrane 101 - 117 ( 99 - 123)
INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -4.73    Transmembrane 276 - 292 ( 275 - 293)
INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -1.12    Transmembrane 232 - 248 ( 232 - 248)
INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -0.96    Transmembrane 151 - 167 ( 150 - 169)
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----- Final Results -----
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.3378 (Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial outside  --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

```

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:BA04287 GB:AP001509 nickel transport system (permease)
[Bacillus halodurans]

Identities = 119/304 (39%), Positives = 174/304 (57%)

Query: 5 SSIKKILSAFLALFFISLLTFILIKLSTVNSAENYLRLSKISVSPEALKEAEHYLGLDK 64

S I K+I + + F + F+ I+LS V+ AE YL + I + E L E H GLD+
 Sbjct: 3 SYIAKRIFAVIPIVLFFAIFIMFVIRLSPVDPAEAYLTAANIHPTEELLAEKREHFGLDQ 62

Query: 65 PLWKQYWLWFQKALTGDFGYSYVLRPLVLDLVLQRFATLFLGTSAFLLIVTISTPLGVW 124
 P+ QY K DFG+SYV PV D V R ATL L S+ L V IS PLG
 Sbjct: 63 PMAVQYVQTIVKVFQLDGHSYVINQPVWDEVITARMPATLQLAVSSIFLAVLISIPLGFL 122

Query: 125 AGLHESARSDHLIRFLSFSSVSMFNFVAYLLMLLFSAKLNLLPVSGGNDLQSLILPSIT 184
 + +++++ D R LS+ S+P FW+ YLL+ FS KLN L PV G L+LP++T
 Sbjct: 123 SAIYKNSLIDRFSRLLSYLGASIFQFWLGYLLIFFFSVKLNLPFVEGRGSAHLVLPTVT 182

Query: 185 LSFSTVGQYIALIRKAI SQENRSLNVENARLRGVKERYIVTHHLLRNALPAIMTALSLTW 244
 LS + + Y L+R ++ ++ + V AR RG+KE+ I+ H+L+ A+ ++T L +
 Sbjct: 183 LSLALIAIYTRLLRASVLEQM QESYVLYARTRGIKEKVINMKHVLKLAISPVITGLGMNV 242

Query: 245 VYLLTGSIIVEEIFSWNGIGRLFVTSRLTSDLPVIQACMLIFGTLFLANNFMTQCFMNWV 304
 LLTG+IIVE++FSW G GR FV ++ D+PVIQ +L+ LF+ N + +
 Sbjct: 243 GKLLTGIIIVEQVFSWPGFGRYFVDAIFNRDIPVIQCYVLLAACLFIVCNLIVDLVQLAM 302

Query: 305 DPRL 308
 DPR+
 Sbjct: 303 DPRI 306

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 63> which encodes the amino acid
 sequence <SEQ ID 64>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 40
 >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq

INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -7.27	Transmembrane	290 - 306 (287 - 313)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -6.37	Transmembrane	12 - 28 (4 - 33)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -5.89	Transmembrane	105 - 121 (100 - 128)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -5.26	Transmembrane	145 - 161 (142 - 172)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -2.39	Transmembrane	191 - 207 (190 - 208)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane	---	Certainty=0.3909(Affirmative)	< succ>
bacterial outside	---	Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear)	< succ>
bacterial cytoplasm	---	Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear)	< succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 102/324 (31%), Positives = 167/324 (51%), Gaps = 28/324 (8%)

Query: 7 I I K K I L S A F L A L F F I S L L T F I L I K L S T V N --- S A E N Y L R L S K I S V S P E A L K E A E H Y L G L D 63
 I I K I + + F + S + L T F + L + K S V + ++ N Y S + + P K H + G L D
 Sbjct: 8 I I W K I R C V T L I F G V S V L T F V L L K Q S P V D P V M A S V N Y --- D T S I L T P A Q Y K A I A H H Y G L D 63

Query: 64 K P L W K Q Y W L W F Q K A L T G D F G Y S Y V L R L P V L D L V L Q R F L A T L F L G T S A F L L I V T I S T P L G V 123
 K P Q Y + W + + G D G S V R P V D + + R A + L + + + L I L G
 Sbjct: 64 K P A L V Q Y F I W L K N V I Q G D L G T S L V Y R Q P V S D I I R S R A G A S F I L M G L S W I L S G L I G F I L G T 123

Query: 124 W A G L H E S A R S D H L I R F L S F S S V S M P N F W A Y L L M L L F S A K L N L L P V S G G N D L ----- 175
 + H + D + + R + S + + S + P F W + + + L + F S + L P + + +
 Sbjct: 124 L S A F H Q G K L D R V V R W F S Y L Q I S V P T F W I G L I F L L I F S V Q L G W F P I G I S S P I G T L S Q D I T 183

Query: 176 ----- Q S L I L P S I T L S F S T V G Q Y I A L I R K A I S Q E N R S L N V E N A R L R G V K E R Y I V T H H L R 230
 + L + L P T L S + R + S V A R R G + I H H L R
 Sbjct: 184 L A D R V K H L M L P V F T L S I L G I A N V T L H T R T K M M S V L S S E Y V L F A R A R G E T Q W Q I F K H H C L R 243

Query: 231 N A L P A I M T A L S L T W V Y --- L L T G S I I V E E I F S W N G I G R L F V T S L R T S D L P V I Q A C M L I F G 287
 N A I + A + L + Y L G S + + E + + F S + G + G + S D P + + A + + I G
 Sbjct: 244 N --- A I V P A I T L H F S Y F G E L F G G S V L A E Q V F S Y P G L G S T L T E A G L K S D T P L L L A I V M I - G 299

Query: 288 T L F L - A N N F M T Q C F M N W D P R L R K 310
 T L F + A N + + + P + L R +
 Sbjct: 300 T L F V F A G N L I A D I L N S I I N P Q L R R 323

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 23

A DNA sequence (GBSx0020) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 65> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 66>. This protein is predicted to be nickel transport system (permease). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 14

>>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.

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10    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -7.64    Transmembrane    57 - 73 ( 51 - 80)
      INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -6.85    Transmembrane    173 - 189 ( 169 - 194)
      INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -5.79    Transmembrane    94 - 110 ( 86 - 112)
      INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -1.44    Transmembrane    221 - 237 ( 221 - 238)
15    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -1.33    Transmembrane    118 - 134 ( 118 - 134)

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----- Final Results -----

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      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4057(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
20    bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:BA04288 GB:AP001509 nickel transport system (permease)
[Bacillus halodurans]

Identities = 103/239 (43%), Positives = 157/239 (65%)

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25    Query: 6    AIFAPILSSFDPQYVDLSQKLLAPNNVHLLGTDQLGRDVLRLLYGARYSLFLAIIISLL 65
      AI AP ++ DP V+L+ KLL P+ + LGTDQLGR LSRL+GAR SL A +I +
      Sbjct: 29    AILAPWIAPHDPIQVNLALKLLPPSWEYPLGTDQLGRCNLSRLLFGARVSLGFATLIFIS 88

30    Query: 66    ELTIGMFVGLIVGWYQKLENLFLWIANIIIAFPSEFLSLATVGILGHGLGNLIFAIVFV 125
      L IG+ VG I G+ G ++++ + ++AFP+ +L L VG+ G GL ++ A+V V
      Sbjct: 89    SLGIGLLVGAIAGYRGGWIDSVLMRFCEGVMAFPNVLVLGLVGLFPGPLWQVVLALVMV 148

35    Query: 126   EWVYYAKLMNINLVKSAKKEPYVINAQIMGLSVWHILRKHIFPFVYQPILVMVLMNIGNII 185
      +WVYYA++ +++ S K++ ++ A+I G S W I+R+HI P V PI+V+ + +G I
      Sbjct: 149   QWVYYARMFRSMIVSLKEQNFIITAARISGSSPWKIIRRHIIPNVLPPIVVIGTLEMGWAI 208

40    Query: 186   LMISGFSFLGIGVQPNVTEWGMMLHDARGYFRTATWMMLSPGIAIFLTVFSFNTLGDAI 244
      + IS SFLG+G+QP EWG M+H+ + + R+ +ML PGI I L V +FN LG+++
      Sbjct: 209   MDISALSFLGLGIQPTPEWGAMIHEGKSFIIRSHPELMLYPGIMILLVVMTFNVLGESL 267

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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 67> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 68>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 39

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45    >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
      INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -7.80    Transmembrane    182 - 198 ( 180 - 204)
      INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -7.38    Transmembrane    77 - 93 ( 69 - 98)
      INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -7.06    Transmembrane    112 - 128 ( 104 - 132)
50    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -6.16    Transmembrane    8 - 24 ( 7 - 31)
      INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -5.10    Transmembrane    239 - 255 ( 235 - 258)

      ----- Final Results -----
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4121(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
55    bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 61/246 (24%), Positives = 127/246 (50%), Gaps = 1/246 (0%)

Query: 2 LVISAIFAPILSSFDPOYVDLSQKLLAPNNVHLGLTDLGRDVLRLLYGARYSLFLAII 61
 L++S + + P + + + LAP+ HL GTD LGRD+ R + G +SL + ++
 5 SbJct: 19 LILSILALNLYFYRTPLETNAALRNLAAPSLNHLFGTDGLGRDMFVRTIKGLYFSLQVGLL 78

Query: 62 ISLLELTIGMFVGLIVGWYQKLENLFLWIANIILAFPSFLLSLATVGILGHGLGNLIFA 121
 +L+ + + G++ G ++ + W+ ++ + P + + ++G G +I A
 10 SbJct: 79 GALMGVFLATVFGVLAGLGNSLIDKIIAWLVDLFIGMPHLIFMILISFVVGKGAQGVIIA 138

Query: 122 IVFVEVVYYAKLMTNLVKSAPKEPYVINAQIMGLSVWHILRKHIFPFVYQPILVMVLMNI 181
 W A+L+ N V K + +V ++ MG + ++I+R HI P + I + ++
 15 SbJct: 139 TAVTHWPSLARLIRNEVYDLKNAFVQLSKSMGKTPYYIVRHHILPLIASQIFIGFILLF 198

Query: 182 GNIILMISGFSFLGIGVQPNVTEWGMMLHDARGYFRTAT-WMMLSPGIAIFLTVFSFNTL 240
 ++IL + +FLG G+ G++L +A + W+++ PG+ + L V +F+T+
 20 SbJct: 199 PHVILHEASMTFLGFLSAEQPSVGILSEAAKHISLGNWWLVIFPGLYLILVNAFDTI 258

Query: 241 GDAIDK 246
 G+++ K
 20 SbJct: 259 GESLKK 264

A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8473> and protein <SEQ ID 8474> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

25 Lipop: Possible site: -1 Crend: 0
 McG: Discrim Score: 7.56
 GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -1.15
 Possible site: 14
 >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.
 30 ALOM program count: 5 value: -7.64 threshold: 0.0
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -7.64 Transmembrane 57 - 73 (51 - 80)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -6.85 Transmembrane 173 - 189 (169 - 194)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -5.79 Transmembrane 94 - 110 (86 - 112)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -1.44 Transmembrane 221 - 237 (221 - 238)
 35 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -1.33 Transmembrane 118 - 134 (118 - 134)
 PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 4.72 145
 modified ALOM score: 2.03

*** Reasoning Step: 3

40 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4057(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

45 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

ORF02082(292 - 1053 of 1365)
 EGAD|89511|HP0300(23 - 283 of 285) dipeptide ABC transporter, permease protein (dppC)
 {Helicobacter pylori} OMNI|HP0300 dipeptide ABC transporter, permease protein (dppC)
 50 GP|2313398|gb|AAD07369.1|AE000548 dipeptide ABC transporter, permease protein (dppC)
 {Helicobacter pylori 26695} PIR|D64557|D64557 dipeptide ABC transporter, permease protein -
 Helicobacter pylori (strain 26695)
 %Match = 20.5
 %Identity = 43.4 %Similarity = 63.3
 55 Matches = 111 Mismatches = 92 Conservative Sub.s = 51

30 60 90 120 150 180 210 240
 P*KCLTCDNDST*LDLGLLINRINYC*RNFFMEWNRFTICDQSKNFRSSSNTSLYANFWNLIFS**FYDTVFYELG*SSV
 MESFR

60 270 300 330 360 402 432 462
 TKVKGEIISKRIYFSSSLVLVISAIFAPILSSFDPOYVDLSQKLLAP-----NNVHLLGTDQLGRDVLRLLYGARY
 ::||| ||||:|: || : :|| | :||| ||||:||||:||||
 65 EPIQQFKKNKAAVVGAWIVLLVICAIFAPLLAPHDPYVQNAQDRLLKPIWEHGGNAKYLLGTDLDLGRDILSRILIYGARI
 20 30 40 50 60 70 80

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492      522      552      582      612      642      672      702
SLFLAIISLLELTIGMFVGLIVGWYQKLENLFLWIANIILAPPSFLLSLATVGILGHGLGNLIFAIVFVWVYAKLM
| | : | :   : : | : || | : : | : : : | : || : | : | | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | :
5  SLTIGIVSMGIAVFFGTILGLIAGYFGGKTDATIMRIMDIMFALPSILLIVIVVAVLGPSSLINAMLAIGFVGIPGFARLV
      100      110      120      130      140      150      160

732      762      792      822      852      882      912      942
TNLVKSAKKEPYVINAQIMGLSVWHILRKHIFFVYQPIILVMVLMNIGNIILMISGFSFLGIGVQPNVTEWGMMLHDARG
: | | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | :
10 RSSVLGEKEKEYVIASKINGSSHLRLMCKVIFPNCIIPILIVQTTMGFASTVLEAAALSFLGLGAQPPKPEWGAMLMNSMQ
      180      190      200      210      220      230      240

972      1002      1032      1059      1089      1119      1149
YFRTATWMMLSPGIAIFLTVFSFNTLGDAL-DKQDWKRQWNS*K*ENCHYR*ERSLY*EILVVK*IWENR*LLLVRVV
| | | | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | :
15 YIATAPWMLVFPGVMIFLTVMSFNLVGDGIMDALDPKRTS
      260      270      280

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- 20 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 24

A DNA sequence (GBSx0021) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 69> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 70>. This protein is predicted to be peptide ABC transporter, ATP-binding protein.

- 25 Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 60

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.32 Transmembrane 161 - 177 (161 - 177)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1128(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 10027> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 10028> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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>GP:AAF73561 GB:AE002315 peptide ABC transporter, ATP-binding
40 protein [Chlamydia muridarum]
   Identities = 86/253 (33%), Positives = 154/253 (59%), Gaps = 2/253 (0%)

Query: 1  METTMEQLEIRKLSLQIGVFPVLRDFSCKIDMGESLTIIGESGSGKTLAKLLVGHIPQS 60
      M T+ ++E ++++ ++ S I +SL ++GE+GSGKT ++K ++G +P
45 Sbjct: 1  MSKTLKLIENLVVAIKESNQRLVNHLSTIKQRQSLALVGENSGSKTTVSKAILGFLPDN 60

Query: 61  MIVR-GNIFPKGVDLGLKLVKQWQKLRGRDIAYLVQNPMSPFQKIEAHILETILSHE 119
      ++ G IF+ G D+ +L+ K++Q +RG+ I+ + QN M P ++ I+ET+ H
50 Sbjct: 61  CCIQSGKIFYSGTDITRLSRKEFQSIRGKKISTIFQNAMGTLTPSMRVGTQIETLRHHP 120

Query: 120  KCSRVALSKALEWMKRLNLDDAISLLKKYPFELSGGMLQRIMLATILSLDPQVILDEP 179
      SK A +KA E + ++++ L+ YPFELSGGM QR+ +A L+ +P++II DEP
Sbjct: 121  VMSKEEAFAKARELLVSVHIESPDRCLQLYPFELSGGMCQRVSIATLATNPELIIADEP 180

55 Query: 180  TSAVDCHNCSTISAILQEL-QNNGKTLITVTHDYQLARDLGGQLLVISEGEVVEQGQTQA 238
      ++A+D + + + +L+++ QNN L+ +TH+ L +L ++ +I GE+VEQG
Sbjct: 181  STALDSISQAQVLRVLKQIHQNNNTALLLITHNLALVSELCEEMAIHHGEIVEQGQPVHE 240

Query: 239  ILSNPQHNYTKAL 251

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+L +P H YT+ L
 Sbjct: 241 LLRSPSHFYTKL 253

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 71> which encodes the amino acid
 5 sequence <SEQ ID 72>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 55

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 10 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -2.50 Transmembrane 168 - 184 (167 - 184)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -1.70 Transmembrane 211 - 227 (211 - 227)
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1999(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 15 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 87/232 (37%), Positives = 138/232 (58%), Gaps = 3/232 (1%)
 20 Query: 23 LRDFSCKIDMGESLTIIGESGSGKTLAKLLVGHIPQ-GMTVRGNIFKGVDLGKL-TVK 80
 +R+ S ++ GE L +GESGSGK++L K G + G G+I ++G +L L T K
 Sbjct: 28 IRNVSLLEVEGEVLAFVGESGSGKSVLTKTFTGMLSENGRIANGSIVYRGQELTDLKTNK 87
 25 Query: 81 QWQKLRGRDIAYLQNPMSMFNPFQKIEAHILETILSHEKCSKRVALSKALEWMMKRINLD 140
 +W K+RG IA + Q+PM+ +P + I + I E I+ H+K S A AL++M ++ +
 Sbjct: 88 EWAKIRGSKIATIFQDPMTSLSPIKTIGSQITEVILKHQKVSHAKAKEMALDYMNKVGIP 147
 30 Query: 141 DAISLLKKYPFELSGGMLQRI MLATILSLDPQVIILDEPTSAVDCHNCSTISAILQELQN 200
 +A + YPFE SGM QRI++A L+ P ++I DEPT+A+D + I +L+ LQ
 Sbjct: 148 NAKKRFEDYPFEYSGGMRQRI VIAIALACRPDILICDEPTALDVTIQAQIVELLKSLQR 207
 35 Query: 201 NGK-TLITVTHDYQLARDLGGQLLVISEGEVVEQGQTQAILSNPQHNYTKAL 251
 T+I +THD + + ++ V+ GE+VE G + I +P+H YT +L
 Sbjct: 208 EYHFTIIFITHDLGVVASIADKVAVMYAGEIVEFGTVEEIFYDPRHPYTWSL 259

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for
 vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 25

A DNA sequence (GBSx0022) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 73> which encodes the amino acid
 40 sequence <SEQ ID 74>. This protein is predicted to be peptide ABC transporter, ATP-binding protein.
 Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 50

>>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
 45 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 50 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 10025> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID
 10026> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:BAB05797 GB:AP001514 oligopeptide ABC transporter (ATP-binding
 55 protein) [Bacillus halodurans]
 Identities = 82/199 (41%), Positives = 130/199 (65%), Gaps = 2/199 (1%)

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5 Query: 19 RQEVLDKCHFHLKRGEIIGIMKSGSGKSSSLARLIIGLDSPTCGSIYFQG-KIYTPKDGK 77
 +Q++L F + GE +GI+G+SGSGKS+L RL++G++ P G IYF+G K+
 Sbjct: 21 KQKILNHISFECRHGECGLGIIGESGSGKSTLGRLLLGIEKPDRGHIYFEGNKVEERSVRS 80

10 Query: 78 AQIILVFQDALSSVNPYFSIEEILNEAFYGKKT-FELCQILEAVGLDGTLYLKYKARQLS 136
 I VFQD SS+NP+F++E + E GKK ++ +L+ VGL +Y K +LS
 Sbjct: 81 GNISAVFQDYTSSINPFFTVETAIMEPLKGKKAASKVDYLLKQVGLHPSYKKKYPHEL 140

15 Query: 137 GGQLQRVCIARALLKPKIIIFDESLSGLDPVTQIKMLRLLQKIKRRYELSFIMISHDPK 196
 GG++QRVCIARA+ +PK I+ DE++S LD Q ++L LL ++KR Y++S++ I+HD +
 Sbjct: 141 GGEVQRVCIARAISTEPKCIVLDEAISLDSIQTVQLDLLIELKRIYQMSYLFITHDIQ 200

Query: 197 ICQAICNRVFLIKNGYLVE 215
 IC+R+ + ++G + E
 Sbjct: 201 AAAYICDRIMIFRHGQIEE 219

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 75> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 76>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

20 Possible site: 60

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

25 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3195(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

30 Identities = 91/238 (38%), Positives = 137/238 (57%), Gaps = 21/238 (8%)

Query: 1 MKEIFLMLVCNHVGKTFGRQ----EVLKDCCHFHLKRGEIIGIMKSGSGKSSSLARLIIGL 56
 M E + L +H+ TF ++ E +KD H+ +G+I GI+G SG+GKS+L R+I L
 Sbjct: 1 MNEAIIQL--DHIDITFRQKKRVIEAVKDVTVHINQGDIYGIVGYSGAGKSTLVRVINLL 58

35 Query: 57 DSPTCGSI-----YFQKIIYTPKDGKAQ----IILVFQ--DALSSVNPYFSIEEILNE 103
 +PT G I + QGKI D Q I ++FQ + ++ ++ L
 Sbjct: 59 QAPTNGKITVDGDVTFDQGIQLSADALRQKRRDIGMIFQHFNMAQKTAKENVAFAIRH 118

40 Query: 104 AFYGK-KTTFELCQILEAVGLDGTLYLKYKARQLSGGQLQRVCIARALLKPKIIIFDESL 162
 + K + ++ ++LE VGL Y A QLSGGQ QRV IARAL PKI+I DE+
 Sbjct: 119 SSLSKTEKEHKVIELLELVGLSERADNYPA-QLSGGQKQRVAIARALANDPKILISDEAT 177

45 Query: 163 SGLDPVTQIKMLRLLQKIKRRYELSFIMISHDPKICQAICNRVFLIKNGYLVEDNEFL 220
 S LDP T ++L LLQ++ R+ L+ +MI+H+ +I + ICNRV +++NG L+E+ L
 Sbjct: 178 SALDPKTKQILALLQELNRKLGITIVMITHEMQIVKIDICNRVAVMQNGVLIEEGSVL 235

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

50 Example 26

A DNA sequence (GBSx0023) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 77> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 78>. This protein is predicted to be UMP kinase (pyrH). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

55 Possible site: 18

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1935(Affirmative) < succ>

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bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

5 >GP:CAB13524 GB:Z99112 uridylylate kinase [Bacillus subtilis]
Identities = 143/238 (60%), Positives = 193/238 (81%)

Query: 2 EPKYQRILIKLSGEALAGDKGVGIDIPTVQSIKAEIAEVHNSGVQIALVIGGGNLWRGEP 61
+PKY+RI++KLSGEALAG++G GI+ +QSIK++ E+ V++A+V+GGGN +

10 Sbjct: 3 KPKYKRIVLKLKSGEALAGEQNGINPTVIQSIKQVKEIAELEVEVAVVVGNGNYGAECT 62

Query: 62 AAEAGMDRVQADYTGMLGTVMNALVMADSLQQYGVDTRVQTAIPMQTVAEPYVRGRALRH 121
++ GMDR ADY GML TVMN+L + DSL+ G+ +RVQT+I M+ VAEPY+R +A+RH

15 Sbjct: 63 GSDLGMDRATADYMGMLATVMNSLALQDSLETLGIQSRVQTSIEMRQVAEPYIRRKAIRH 122

Query: 122 LEKNRIVVFGAGIGSPYFSTDTTAAALRAAEIEAEAILMAKNGVDGVYNADPKKDANAVK 181
LEK R+V+F AG G+PYFSTDTTAAALRAAEIEA+ ILMKN VDGYNADP+KD +AVK+

20 Sbjct: 123 LEKKRVVIFAAGTGNPYFSTDTTAAALRAAEIEADVILMAKNVVDGVYNADPRKDES AVKY 182

Query: 182 DELTHVEVIKRLKIMDATASTISMDNDIDL VVFNMTGNIKRVVLGEQIGTTVSNK 239
+ L++++V+K GL++MD+TAS++ MDNDI L+VF++ E GNIKR V+GE IGT V K

Sbjct: 183 ESLSYLDVLKDGLEVMDS TASSLCMDNDIPLIVFSIMEEGNIKRAVIGESIGTTVRGK 240

25 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 79> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 80>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 18

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

30 ----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1955 (Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

35 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 224/242 (92%), Positives = 233/242 (95%)

Query: 1 MEPKYQRILIKLSGEALAGDKGVGIDIPTVQSIKAEIAEVHNSGVQIALVIGGGNLWRGE 60
+EPKYQRILIKLSGEALAG+KGVGIDIPTVQ+IAKAEIAEVH SGVQIALVIGGGNLWRGE

40 Sbjct: 1 VEPKYQRILIKLSGEALAGEKGVGIDIPTVQAIKAEIAEVHVSGVQIALVIGGGNLWRGE 60

Query: 61 PAAEAGMDRVQADYTGMLGTVMNALVMADSLQYGVDTRVQTAIPMQTVAEPYVRGRALR 120
PAA+AGMDRVQADYTGMLGTVMNALVMADSLQ YGVDTRVQTAIPMQ VAEPY+RGRALR

45 Sbjct: 61 PAADAGMDRVQADYTGMLGTVMNALVMADSLQHYGVDTRVQTAIPMQNVAEPYIRGRALR 120

Query: 121 HLEKNRIVVFGAGIGSPYFSTDTTAAALRAAEIEAEAILMAKNGVDGVYNADPKKDANAVK 180
HLEKNRIVVFGAGIGSPYFSTDTTAAALRAAEIEA+AILMAKNGVDGVYNADPKKDANAVK

50 Sbjct: 121 HLEKNRIVVFGAGIGSPYFSTDTTAAALRAAEIEADAILMAKNGVDGVYNADPKKDANAVK 180

Query: 181 FDELTHVEVIKRLKIMDATASTISMDNDIDL VVFNMTGNIKRVVLGEQIGTTVSNKA 240
FDELTH EVIKRLKIMDATAST+SMDNDIDL VVFNME GNI+RVV GE IGTTVSNK

55 Sbjct: 181 FDELTHGEVIKRLKIMDATASTLSMDNDIDL VVFNMEAGNIQRVVFGEHIGTTVSNKV 240

Query: 241 SE 242
+
Sbjct: 241 CD 242

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 27

A DNA sequence (GBSx0024) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 81> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 82>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 22

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm ---	Certainty=0.3712(Affirmative)	< succ>
bacterial membrane ---	Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear)	< succ>
bacterial outside ---	Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear)	< succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 28

A DNA sequence (GBSx0025) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 83> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 84>. This protein is predicted to be ribosome recycling factor (frr). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 34

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm ---	Certainty=0.3522(Affirmative)	< succ>
bacterial membrane ---	Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear)	< succ>
bacterial outside ---	Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear)	< succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:BAB06143 GB:AP001515 ribosome recycling factor [Bacillus halodurans]
Identities = 112/185 (60%), Positives = 149/185 (80%)

Query: 1 MTKEIVTKAQERFEQSHQSLSREFAGIRAGRANASLLDRIQVEYYGAPTPLNQLASITVP 60
M+KE++ A++R ++ ++L RE A +RAGRAN ++LDRI VEYYGA TPLNQLA+I+VP
Sbjct: 1 MSKEVLNDAEQRMTKATEALGRELAKLRAGRANPAMLDRITVEYYGAETPLNQLATISVP 60

Query: 61 EARVLLISPFDKSSIKDIERAINESDLGINPANDGSVIRLVIPALTEETRRDLAKEVKKV 120
EAR+L+I PFDKSSI DIERAI +SDLG+ P+NDG+VIR+ IP LTEE RRDL K VKK
Sbjct: 61 EARLLVIQPFDKSSISDIERAIQKSDLGLTPSNDGTVIRITIPPLTEERRRDLTKLVKKS 120

Query: 121 GENAKIAIRNIRRDAMDEAKKQEKNEITEDDLKSLEKDIQKATDDAVKHIDEMTANKEK 180
E AK+A+RNIRRDA D+ KK++K+ B+TEDDL+ + +D+QK TD ++ ID+ KEK
Sbjct: 121 AEEAKVAVRNIRRDANDDLKIRQKDGELTEDDLRRVTEDVQKLTDKYIEQIDQKAEAKEK 180

Query: 181 ELLEV 185
E++EV
Sbjct: 181 EIMEV 185

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 85> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 86>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 21

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

5 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.4462(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 160/185 (86%), Positives = 171/185 (91%)

10 Query: 1 MTKEIVTKAQRFEQSHQSLREFAGIRAGRANASLLDRIQVEYYGAPTPLNQLASITVP 60
 M I+ A+ERF QSHQSLRE+A IRAGRANASLLDRIQV+YYGAPTPLNQLASITVP
 Sbjct: 1 MANAIITAKERFAQSHQSLREYASIRAGRANASLLDRIQVDYYGAPTPLNQLASITVP 60

15 Query: 61 EARVLLISPFDKSSIKDIERAINESDLGINPANDGSVIRLVIPALTEETRRDLAKEVKKV 120
 EARVLLISPFDKSSIKDIERA+N SDLGI PANDGSVIRLVIPALTEETR++LAKEVKKV
 Sbjct: 61 EARVLLISPFDKSSIKDIERALNASDLGITPANDGSVIRLVIPALTEETRKELAKEVKKV 120

20 Query: 121 GENAKIAIRNIRRDAMDEAKKQEKKEITEDDLKSLEKDIOKATDDAVKHIDEMTANKEK 180
 GENAKIAIRNIRRDAMD+AKKQEK KEITED+LK+LEKDIOKATDDA+K ID MTA KEK
 Sbjct: 121 GENAKIAIRNIRRDAMD+AKKQEKKEITEDDELKTLEKDIOKATDDAIKEIDRMTAEKEK 180

Query: 181 ELLEV 185
 ELL V
 Sbjct: 181 ELLSV 185

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 29

30 A DNA sequence (GBSx0026) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 87> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 88>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 44

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

35 ----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1356(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

40 A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 10023> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 10024> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAB12943 GB:Z99109 yitL [Bacillus subtilis]
 Identities = 107/269 (39%), Positives = 155/269 (56%), Gaps = 6/269 (2%)

45 Query: 42 LVTDENKDF-YFIQKDGFTFALSKEGEHHIGEM--VKGFPAYTDMQQARLTTKETFATR 98
 L D DF YF+ T L SE I + V+ F Y D Q++ T K +
 Sbjct: 25 LSIDHQTDGFGYFLTDGEDTILLHNSEMTEDIEDRDEVEVFYVDQQRLEAATMKIPIISA 84

50 Query: 99 DHYGWGTVEVRKDLGVFLDTGLPDKQVVSLDVLPELKELWPKKGDRLYVCLDVKKDR 158
 D YGW V + +D+GVF+D GL K +V+ + LP +++WP+KGD+LY L V + R
 Sbjct: 85 DEYGWVEVVDKVEDMGVFDVGL-SKDALVATEHLPPYEDVWPQKGDKLYCMLKVTNRGR 143

55 Query: 159 LWALPADPEVFQFORMATPAYNNMQNQNWPAIVYRLKLSGTFVYLPENNMLGFIHPSEERYSE 218
 ++A PA ++ + T A ++ N+ VYRL SG+FV + ++ + FIHPSE E
 Sbjct: 144 MFAKPAPEDIISELFTDASEDLMNKELTGTVYRLIASGSFV-ITDDGIRCFIHPSEKKEE 202

Query: 219 PRLGQVLDARVIGFREVDRTLNLSLKPRSFEMLENDAMILTYLESNGGFMTLNDKSSPE 278
 PRLG + RVI +E D ++NLSL PR + + DA+ ILTY+ G M +DKS P+

Sbjct: 203 PRLGSRVTGRVIQVKE-DGSVNLSLLPRKQDAMSVDACILTYMRMRNGAMPYSKSDSQPD 261

Query: 279 EIKATFGISKQGFKKALGGLMKAKKIKQD 307
+I+ F +SK FK+ALG LMK K+ Q+

5 Sbjct: 262 DIRERFNMSKAAFKRALGHLMKNGKVQE 290

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 89> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 90>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 51

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>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

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bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0811(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 235/284 (82%), Positives = 265/284 (92%)

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Query: 31 MNTLLATVITGLVTDENKDFYFIQKDGFTFALSKSEGEHHIGEMVKGFAITDMQQKARLT 90

MN LLATVITGL+ +EN + YFI K+GFTF LSK+EGE IG+MV GFAYTD++QKARLT

Sbjct: 1 MNDLLATVITGLIKEENANDYFIHKEGFTFTLSKAEGERQIGDMVTGFAYTDIEQKARLT 60

25

Query: 91 TKETFATRDHYGWTVEVRKDLGVFLDTGLPDKQVVVSLDVLPELKELWPKKGDRLYVC 150

TKE +TR YGWG VTEVR+DLGVF+DTG+F+K++VVSLDVLPE+KELWPKKGD+LY+

Sbjct: 61 TKEIRSTRTSYGWGEVTEVRDLGVFVDTGIPNKEIVVSLDVLPEMKELWPKKGDRLYIR 120

30

Query: 151 LDVDKKDRWLWALPADPEVFQRMATPAYNNMQNQPWPAIVYRLKLSGTFVYLPENNMLGFI 210

LDVDKKDR+W LEA+PEVFQ+MA+PAYNNMQNQ+WPAIVYRLKL+GTFVYLPENNMLGFI

Sbjct: 121 LDVDKKDRWGLPAEPEVFQKMASPAYNNMQNQHWPWPAIVYRLKLTGTFVYLPENNMLGFI 180

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Query: 211 HPSEYSEPRLGQVLDARVIGFREVDRTLNLCLKPRSFEMLENDQAQMILTYLESNGGFMT 270

H SER+EPRLGQVLDARVIGFREVDRTLNLCLKPRSFEMLENDQAQM+TYLE+NGGFMT

Sbjct: 181 HSSERYAEPRLGQVLDARVIGFREVDRTLNLCLKPRSFEMLENDQAQMIVTYLEANGGFMT 240

Query: 271 LNDKSSPEEIKATFGISKQGFKKALGGLMKAKKIKQDQDGLTELL 314

LNDKSSPEEIKA+FGISKQGFKKALGGLMKAK+IKQD GTEL+

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Sbjct: 241 LNDKSSPEEIKASFGISKQGFKKALGGLMKAKRIKQDATGTETI 284

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 30

45 A DNA sequence (GBSx0028) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 91> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 92>. This protein is predicted to be peptide methionine sulfoxide reductase (msrA). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 33

50

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0866(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 10021> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 10022> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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5  >GP:BA05167 GB:AP001512 peptide methionine sulfoxide reductase
    [Bacillus halodurans]
    Identities = 102/173 (58%), Positives = 126/173 (71%), Gaps = 2/173 (1%)

Query: 14  ENDMERAIFAGGCFWCMVQPFEEELDGIESVLSGYTGGHVENPTYKEVCSKTTGHTTEAVEI 73
      E+   A FAGGCFWCMV PFEE  GI  V+SGYTGGH ENPTYKEVCS+ITGH EAV+I
Sbjct: 3   ESKWALATFAGGCFWCMVSPFEEEPGIHQVVSQYTGGHTEENPTYKEVCSSETTGHYEAVQI 62

10 Query: 74  IFNPEKISYADLVELYWAQTDPTDAFGQFEDRGDNYPVIFYENEEQRQIAQKSKDKLQA 133
      F+PE   Y L+E+YW Q DPTD  GQF DRGD+YR  IFY +E+Q+Q A  SK KL+
Sbjct: 63  SFDPEVFPYEKLEIYWTQIDPTDPGGQFHDRGDSYRTAIFYHDEQQKQAADASKQKLEE 122

Query: 134  SGRFDRPIVTSIEPADTFYPAEDYHQAFYRTNPARYAL--SSARRHAFLEENW 184
      SG+F+ PIVT I PA  FYPAE+YHQ +++ NP  Y +      + R AF++++W
15 Sbjct: 123 SGKFNAPIVTRILPAKPFYPAEEYHQYHKKNPFHYKMYRHGSGREAFIKQHW 175

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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 93> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 94>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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20      Possible site: 17
    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0084(Affirmative) < succ>
25      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

RGD motif: 89-91

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30 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

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    >GP:BA05167 GB:AP001512 peptide methionine sulfoxide reductase
    [Bacillus halodurans]
    Identities = 98/168 (58%), Positives = 125/168 (74%), Gaps = 4/168 (2%)

35 Query: 4   AIFAGGCFWCMVQPFEEQAGILSVRSQYTGGHLPNPSYEQVCAKTTGHTTEAVEIIFDPKQ 63
      A FAGGCFWCMV PFEE+ GI  V SGYTGGH  NP+Y++VC++TTGH EAV+I FDP+
Sbjct: 9   ATFAGGCFWCMVSPFEEEPGIHQVVSQYTGGHTEENPTYKEVCSSETTGHYEAVQISFDPEV 68

Query: 64  IAYKDLVELYWTQTDPTDAFGQFEDRGDNYPVIFYTTERQKEIAEQSKANLQASGRFDQ 123
      Y+ L+E+YWTQ DPTD  GQF DRGD+YR  I+Y  E+QK+ A+ SK  L+ SG+F+
40 Sbjct: 69  FPYEKLEIYWTQIDPTDPGGQFHDRGDSYRTAIFYHDEQQKQAADASKQKLEESGKFNA 128

Query: 124  PIVTTIEPAEPFYLAEDYHQGFYKKNP---KRYAQSSAIRHQFLEENW 168
      PIVT I PA+PFY AE+YHQ ++KKNP  K Y  S R  F++++W
45 Sbjct: 129 PIVTRILPAKPFYPAEEYHQYHKKNPFHYKMYRHGSG-REAFIKQHW 175

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

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    Identities = 130/168 (77%), Positives = 148/168 (87%)

50 Query: 17  MERAIFAGGCFWCMVQPFEEELDGIESVLSGYTGGHVENPTYKEVCSKTTGHTTEAVEIIFN 76
      MERAIFAGGCFWCMVQPFEE  GI SV SGYTGGH+ NP+Y++VC+KTTGHTTEAVEIIF+
Sbjct: 1   MERAIFAGGCFWCMVQPFEEQAGILSVRSQYTGGHLPNPSYEQVCAKTTGHTTEAVEIIFD 60

Query: 77  PEKISYADLVELYWAQTDPTDAFGQFEDRGDNYPVIFYENEEQRQIAQKSKDKLQASGR 136
      P++I+Y DLVELYW QTDPTDAFGQFEDRGDNYPVI+Y  E Q++IA++SK  LQASGR
55 Sbjct: 61  PKQIAYKDLVELYWTQTDPTDAFGQFEDRGDNYPVIFYTTERQKEIAEQSKANLQASGR 120

Query: 137  FDRPIVTSIEPADTFYPAEDYHQAFYRTNPARYALSSARRHAFLEENW 184
      FD+PIVT+IEPA+ FY AEDYHQ FY+ NP RYA SSA RH FLEENW
60 Sbjct: 121 FDQPIVTTIEPAEPFYLAEDYHQGFYKKNPKRYAQSSAIRHQFLEENW 168

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 31

A DNA sequence (GBSx0029) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 95> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 96>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 55

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2727(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAB13859 GB:Z99114 yozE [Bacillus subtilis]
 Identities = 24/66 (36%), Positives = 42/66 (63%)

Query: 3 KSFYSWLMTQRNPKSNEPVAILADYAFDETTFFPKHSSDFETVSRYLEDEASFSFNLTD 62
 KSFY +L+ R+PK + ++ A+ A+++ +FPK S+D+ +S YLE A + + FD
 Sbjct: 2 KSFYHYLLKYRHPKPKDSISEFANQAYEDHSFPKTSTDYHEISSYLELNADYLHTMATFD 61

Query: 63 DIWEDY 68
 + W+ Y

Sbjct: 62 EAWDQY 67

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 97> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 98>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 57

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2571(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 59/71 (83%), Positives = 65/71 (91%)

Query: 1 MRKSFYSWLMTQRNPKSNEPVAILADYAFDETTFFPKHSSDFETVSRYLEDEASFSFNLTD 60
 MRKSFYSWLMTQRNPKSNEPVAILAD FD+TTFPKH++DFE +SRYLED+ASFSFNL
 Sbjct: 3 MRKSFYSWLMTQRNPKSNEPVAILADLVFDDTTFPKHTNDFELISRYLEDQASFSFNLGQ 62

Query: 61 FDDIWEDYLNH 71
 FD+IWEDYL H
 Sbjct: 63 FDEIWEDYLAH 73

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 32

A DNA sequence (GBSx0030) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 99> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 100>. This protein is predicted to be antigen, 67 kDa (myosin-crossreactive). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 14

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -4.57 Transmembrane 28 - 44 (26 - 45)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.2826(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 101> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 102>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 26

>>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -4.62 Transmembrane 40 - 56 (38 - 57)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.2848(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related sequence was also identified in GAS <SEQ ID 9109> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9110>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible cleavage site: 50

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty= 0.285(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty= 0.000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty= 0.000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 477/590 (80%), Positives = 542/590 (91%)

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Query: 3  MRYTNGNFEEAFARPRKPEGVDKKSAYIVGSGLAGLAAAVFLIRDGQMDGQRIHIFEELPL 62
          M YT+GN+EAFAR PRKPEGVD+KSAYIVG+GLAGLAAAVFLIRDG M G+RIH+FEELPL
Sbjct: 15  MYTSGNYEAFATPRKPEGVDQKSAYIVGTGLAGLAAAVFLIRDGHMAGERIHLFEELPL 74

Query: 63  SGGSLDGVKRPDIGFVTRGGREMNHFECMWDMYRSIPSLEVPDASYLDEFYWLKDDPN 122
          +GGSLDGV+++P +GFVTRGGREMNHFECMWDMYRSIPSLE+P ASYLDEFYWLKDDPN
Sbjct: 75  AGGSLDGVKRPDIGFVTRGGREMNHFECMWDMYRSIPSLEIPGASYLDEFYWLKDDPN 134

Query: 123 SSNCRLIHKQGNRLES DGDFTLGTSHKELVKLVMEETESLGAKTIEEVFSKEFFESNFWT 182
          SSNCRLIHK+GNR++ DG +TLG SKEL+ L+M+TEESLG +TIEE FS++FF+SNFW
Sbjct: 135 SSNCRLIHKGNRVDDGQYTLGKQSKELIHLIMKTEESLGDTIEEFFSEDFFSNFWV 194

Query: 183 YWGTMF AFEKWHSAIEMRRYAMRFIHHIGGLPDFTS LKFNKYNQYDSMVKPII SYLESHN 242
          YW TMAFEKWHSA+EMRRYAMRFIHHI GLPDFTS LKFNKYNQYDSMVKPII+YLESH+
Sbjct: 195 YWATMFAFEKWHSAVEMRRYAMRFIHHIDGLPDFTS LKFNKYNQYDSMVKPIIAYLESHD 254

Query: 243 VDVQFDSKVNTNISVD FKNQKLAKAIHLTVGGEAKTIDLT PND FV FVTNGSITES TNYGS 302
          VD+QFD+KVT+I V+ G+K+AK IH+TV GEAK I+LTP+D VFVTNGSITES+ YGS
Sbjct: 255 VDIQFDTKVTDIQVEQTAGKKVAKTIHMTVSGEAKAIELTPDDL V FVTNGSITESSTYGS 314

Query: 303 HDTVAKPNTDLGGSWNLWENLAAQSD FGHKPVFYKDIPKESW FVSATATIKDPAIEPYI 362
          H VAKP LGGSWNLWENLAAQSD+FGHKPVFY+D+P ESWFVSATATIK PAIEPYI
Sbjct: 315 HHEVAKPTKALGGSWNLWENLAAQSDDFGHKPVFYQDLPAESW FVSATATIKHPAIEPYI 374

Query: 363 ERLTHRDLHDGKVNTGGIVTDSNWMMSFAIHRQPHFKEQKENETI VWIYGLYSNVEGN 422
          ERLTHRDLHDGKVNTGGI+T+TDSNWMMSFAIHRQPHFKEQKENET VWIYGLYSN EGN
Sbjct: 375 ERLTHRDLHDGKVNTGGIITITDSNWMMSFAIHRQPHFKEQKENETT VWIYGLYSNSEGN 434

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Query: 423 YIKKPIEECTGREITEEWLYHLGVPEMKIHDLSKQYVSTVPVMPYITSYFMPRVKGDR 482
 Y+ K IEECTG+EITEEWLYHLGVP KI DI+ + Y++TVPVMPYITSYFMPRVKGDR
 Sbjct: 435 YVHKKIEECTGQEITEEWLYHLGVDPKIKDLASQDYINTVPVMPYITSYFMPRVKGDR 494

5 Query: 483 PDVIPQGSVNLAFIGNFAESPSRDTVFTTEYSIRTAMEAVYTFLNIERGVPFVNSAFDI 542
 P VIP GSVNLAFIGNFAESPSRDTVFTTEYSIRTAMEAVY+FLN+ERG+PEVFNSA+DI
 Sbjct: 495 PKVIPDGSVNLAFIGNFAESPSRDTVFTTEYSIRTAMEAVYSFLNVERGIPEVFNSAYDI 554

10 Query: 543 RVLQSLYYLNDKKSVEDMDLPIPALMRKVGMMKIRGTYLEELLREAHLL 592
 R LL++ YYLNDKK+++DMDLPIPAL+ K+G KKI+ T++EELL++A+L+
 Sbjct: 555 RELKAFYYLNDKKAIKMDLPIPALIEKIGHKKIKDTFIEELLKDANLM 604

A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8475> and protein <SEQ ID 8476> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

15 Lipop: Possible site: -1 Crend: 10
 McG: Discrim Score: -19.82
 GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -1.16
 Possible site: 14
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

20 ALOM program count: 1 value: -4.57 threshold: 0.0
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -4.57 Transmembrane 26 - 42 (26 - 45)
 PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 6.79 378
 modified ALOM score: 1.41

25 *** Reasoning Step: 3

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.2826(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 30 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear)

SEQ ID 8476 (GBS90) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 18 (lane 6; MW 68.5kDa).

The GBS90-His fusion product was purified (Figure 194, lane 11) and used to immunise mice. The
 35 resulting antiserum was used for Western blot (Figure 256A), FACS (Figure 256B), and in the *in vivo* passive protection assay (Table III). These tests confirm that the protein is immunoaccessible on GBS bacteria and that it is an effective protective immunogen.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

40 Example 33

A DNA sequence (GBSx0031) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 103> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 104>. This protein is predicted to be phoh-like protein (phoH). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

45 Possible site: 38
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2339(Affirmative) < succ>
 50 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAB14476 GB:Z99117 phosphate starvation-induced protein

[Bacillus subtilis]
 Identities = 191/305 (62%), Positives = 241/305 (78%), Gaps = 1/305 (0%)

5 Query: 27 LQHPDDMMSLFGSNERHLKLIENLDVIIHARTERVQVLGDSEEAETARLTIEALLVLV 86
 L++PD+ +SLFG+ + LKL+E++L++ I R E + V GD +E+ + A + +LL L+
 Sbjct: 12 LKNPDEALSLFGNQDSFLKLMEXDLNLNIITRGETIYVSGD-DESFQIADRLLGSLALI 70

10 Query: 87 NRGMTVNTSDVVTALSMQNGSIDKFVALYEEI IKDSYGKPIRVKTLGQKIYVDSVKNH 146
 +G+ ++ DV+ A+ MA+ ++ F ++YEEI K++ GK IRVKT+GQ+ YV ++K +
 Sbjct: 71 RKGIEISERDVIYAIKMAKNELEYFESMYEEIITKNAGKSIRVKTMGQREYVAAMKRN 130

15 Query: 147 DVVFGIGPAGTGKTFLAVTLAVTALKRGQVKRIILTRPAVEAGESLGFLPGDLKEKVDPY 206
 D+VFGIGPAGTGKT+LAV AV ALK G +K+IILTRPAVEAGESLGFLPGDLKEKVDPY
 Sbjct: 131 DLVFGIGPAGTGKTYLAVVKAHAKNGHIKKIILTRPAVEAGESLGFLPGDLKEKVDPY 190

20 Query: 207 LRPVYDALYQILGKEQTSRLMERIEIAPLAYMRGRTLDDAFVILDEAQNNTIMQMKMF 266
 LRP+YDAL+ +LG + T RLME IIEIAPLAYMRGRTLDDA+VILDEAQNNT QMKMF
 Sbjct: 191 LRPLYDALHDVLGADHTERLMERGIIEIAPLAYMRGRTLDDAYVILDEAQNTPAQMKMF 250

25 Query: 267 LTRLGFNSKMI VNGDVSQIDL PKNVKSGLIDAVEKLRNKKIDFIHLSAKDVVRHPVVAE 326
 LTRLGF+SKMI+ GDVSDIDLPK VKSGL A E L+ I I I L DVVRHP+VA+
 Sbjct: 251 LTRLGFSSKMIITGDVSDIDLPKGVKSGLAVAKEMLKGIDGISMIELDQTDVVRHPLVAK 310

30 Query: 327 IINAY 331
 II AY
 Sbjct: 311 IIEAY 315

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 105> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 106>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

30 Possible site: 42

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.85 Transmembrane 54 - 70 (54 - 70)

35 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1341(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

40 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 274/322 (85%), Positives = 298/322 (92%)

45 Query: 18 LQEYSIEITLQHPDDMMSLFGSNERHLKLIENLDVIIHARTERVQVLGDSEEAETARL 77
 LQEYSI+ITL HPDD+++LFGSNERHLKLI E +L VI+HARTERVQV+GD EEAVE ARL
 Sbjct: 1 LQEYSIDITLTHPDDVLALFGSNERHLKLI E A HLGVIHARTERVQVIGDDEEAVELARL 60

50 Query: 78 TIEALLVLVNRGMTVNTSDVVTALSMQNGSIDKFVALYEEI IKDSYGKPIRVKTLGQK 137
 TI+ALLVLV RGM VNTSDVVTALSM++ ID+F+ALYEEI IKD+YGK IRVKTGQK
 Sbjct: 61 TIKALLVLVGRGMVNTSDVVTALSMASHQIDQFMALYEEI IKDNYGKAIRVKTGQK 120

55 Query: 138 IYVDSVKNHDVVFGIGPAGTGKTFLAVTLAVTALKRGQVKRIILTRPAVEAGESLGFLPG 197
 YVDSVK HDVVFG+GPAGTGKTFLAVTLAVTALKRGQVKRIILTRPAVEAGESLGFLPG
 Sbjct: 121 TYVDSVKRHDVVFGVGPAGTGKTFLAVTLAVTALKRGQVKRIILTRPAVEAGESLGFLPG 180

60 Query: 258 TTIMQMKMFLTRLGFNSKMI VNGDVSQIDL PKNVKSGLIDAVEKLRNKKIDFIHLSAKD 317
 TTIMQMKMFLTRLGFNSKMI VNGD SQIDL P+NVKSGLIDA +KL+ IK+IDF++ SAKD
 Sbjct: 241 TTIMQMKMFLTRLGFNSKMI VNGDTSQIDL PRNVKSGLIDATQKLQGIKQIDFVYFSAKD 300

65 Query: 318 VVRHPVVAEIIINAYSDESSHK 339
 VVRHPVVA+II AY S K
 Sbjct: 301 VVRHPVVADIIKAYETSSEEMK 322

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 34

- 5 A DNA sequence (GBSx0032) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 107> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 108>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 30

10 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0275 (Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

15 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

20 Example 35

A DNA sequence (GBSx0033) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 109> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 110>. This protein is predicted to be MutT/nudix family protein. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 46

25 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

30 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2383 (Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

35 >GP:AAF09597 GB:AE001864 MutT/nudix family protein [Deinococcus radiodurans]
Identities = 49/136 (36%), Positives = 69/136 (50%), Gaps = 8/136 (5%)

Query: 5 YISYIRSKVGHETIFLTYSGGILTDGKGRVLLQLRADKNSWGIIGGCMELGESSVDTLKR 64

Y+S +R+ GH + +L D GRVLLQ R D WGI+GG +E GE + R

40 Sbjct: 6 YLSELRAVWGHRAALPAAGVSVLLQDETGRVLLQRRGDDGQWGILGGLEPGEDFLIAAHR 65

Query: 65 EFPEETGLRVEPIRLNLNVY-----TNFQDSYPNGDKAQTVGFIYEVSCPKPVNIEGFHN 118

E EETGLR +R L + F YPNGD+ VG E + P + +

50 Sbjct: 66 ELLGEETGLRCPNLRPLPLSEGLVSGPQFWHRYPNGDEVYLVGLRTEGTVPAAALTDACPD 125

45 Query: 119 E--ETLQLDYFSKEDV 132

+ ETL+L +F+ +D+

Sbjct: 126 DGGETLELRWFALDDL 141

- 50 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 111> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 112>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 61

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

5 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.4375(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

10 Identities = 93/157 (59%), Positives = 123/157 (78%)

Query: 1 MKQDYISYIRSKVGHETIFLTYSGGILTDGKGRVLLQLRADKNSWGIIGCMELGESSVD 60
 M QDYISYIRSKVGH+ I L ++GGILT+ G+VL+QLR DK +W I GG MELGESS++
 Sbjct: 16 MPQDYISYIRSKVGHDKIILNFAGGILTNDGKVLMLRQDCKTWTIPGGIMELGESSLE 75

15 Query: 61 TLKREFFEETGLRVEPIRLLNVYTNFQDSYPNGDKAQTVGFIYEVSCPKFVNIEGFHNEE 120
 T KREF EETG+ VE +RLLNVYT+F++ YPNGD QT+ FIYE++ + I+ FHNEE
 Sbjct: 76 TCKREFLEETGIEVEAVRLLNVYTHFEEVYPNGDAVQTIYFIYELTAVSDMAIDNFHNEE 135

20 Query: 121 TLQLDYFSKEDVKNITIVNEQHLILDEYFSQTFQMG 157
 TL+L +FS E++ + V+ +H+L+L+EYFS +F MG
 Sbjct: 136 TLKLQFFSHEETAELESVSAKHRLMLEEYFSDSFAMG 172

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

25 **Example 36**

A DNA sequence (GBSx0034) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 113> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 114>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 13

30 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

35 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3690(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

40 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 37

A DNA sequence (GBSx0035) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 115> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 116>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 25

45 >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.

----- Final Results -----

50 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.3000(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAG05249 GB:AE004612 hypothetical protein [Pseudomonas aeruginosa]
Identities = 70/254 (27%), Positives = 127/254 (49%), Gaps = 2/254 (0%)

5 Query: 2 KITLHGVAETLLITLYIRAKDAMAKHPILNDQKSLAIVEQIEYDFDKFDNSEASFYATLA 61
+ITL G +TLLITLY +A D+ IL+D+ + V QI++DF + + + A
Sbjct: 5 RITLTGEQTLLITLYAKALDSRLDDSIILHDFRAEEAVRQIDFDFSRVALGKGNGERALAM 64

10 Query: 62 RIRVMDREIKKFIREFNPNSQILSIGCGLDTRFRERVD-NGQIRWYNLDLPEVMEIRKLF 120
R D+ ++F+ +P Q+L++GCGLD+R RVD ++ W++LD PEVMM++R+ +
Sbjct: 65 RSHYFDQACREFLGRHPEGQVLNLGCGLDRIYKVDPPAELEPWFDLDYPEVMDLRERLYP 124

15 Query: 121 EHERVTNIAKSALDETWTREVNPNQAPFLIVSEGVLMLFKEDDVETFLHILITNSFSQFMA 180
+ ++D+ + P+ P L+++EG++ +L+E V + L +
Sbjct: 125 PRAGAYRALRHSVDDDGWLQGVPRERPALVLAEGMLPVLRESQVRRLLVERLVDHLGSGEL 184

20 Query: 181 QFDLCHKEMINKGKHQHDVTVKYMDTEFQFGITDGHEIVDLDPKLGKQINLINFTEDEMSKFEL 240
FD + I + + ++ + + ID E+ P L+ I + D +L
Sbjct: 185 LFDGYGRLGIMLLRLYPPLRETGAQVHWSIDDPRELERWHPALRFTEEVTDYDPQDVAKL 244

25 Query: 241 -GTLRSLLEPTIRKF 253
+ R +LP F
Sbjct: 245 POSSRLMLPIYNGF 258

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

25 A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8477> and protein <SEQ ID 8478> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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30  Lipop: Possible site: -1      Crend: 9
    McG: Discrim Score:      0.37
    GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -0.97
        Possible site: 25
    >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.
    ALOM program   count: 0 value:  4.35 threshold:  0.0
        PERIPHERAL Likelihood =  4.35      143
    modified ALOM score: -1.37

35  *** Reasoning Step: 3

    ----- Final Results -----
        bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.3000(Affirmative) < succ>
40      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
        bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

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27.6/51.16% over 253aa
Pseudomonas aeruginosa
GP|9947849| hypothetical protein Insert characterized

ORF02096(304 - 1059 of 1404)
GP|9947849|gb|AAG05249.1|AE004612_3|AE004612(5 - 258 of 275) hypothetical protein
{Pseudomonas aeruginosa}
%Match = 11.6
%Identity = 27.6 %Similarity = 51.6
Matches = 70 Mismatches = 121 Conservative Sub.s = 61

255      285      315      345      375      405      435      465
E*YT*RNPLEIQISK*NSIKESR*MKITLHGVAETLLITLYIRAKDAMAKHPILNDQKSLAIVEQIEYDFDKFDNSEAS
      :||| | :||||| | :| : ||::: | ||::| : : :
      MFGHRIITLTGKQTLITLYAKALDSRLDSDLHDFAEAEVQRIDFDFSRVALGKGN
                10      20      30      40      50

495      525      555      585      612      642      672      702
FYATLARXRVMDREIKKFIRENPNSQILSIGCGLDTRFERVDN-GQIRWYNLDLPEVMEIRKLFEEHERVTNIAKSALD
| | | : ::| : | |:::|||||:| ||| :: |:| | |||::|: :: : ::|
ERALAMRSHYFDQACREFLGRHPEGOVLNLGCGGLDSRIYRVDPPELFWFDLDYPEVMDLRERLYPFRAGAYRALRHSVD

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      70      80      90      100      110      120      130
732      762      792      822      852      882      912      942
ETWIREVNPNQAPFLIVSEGLMFLKEDDVETFLHILTNFSFQFMAQFDLCHKEMINKGKHDTVKYMDTEFQFGITDGH
5  :   :   | :   | |::| |::| :|   | ::   | :   :   ||   :   |   :   :   :   :   :   | |
DDGWLQGVPRERPALVLAEGLMFYLRESQVRRRLVERLVDHLGSGELLFDGYGRLGIMLLRLYPPLRETGAQVHWSIDDP
      150      160      170      180      190      200      210

972      1002      1029      1059      1089      1119      1149      1179
EIVDLDPKLGKQINLINFTEMSKFEFG-TLRSLPTIRKFNCLGVYEEKASEKK*QKSIYIKRHSKCKFVIIIVIAFVAL
10 | :   | | :   | :   | :   | :   | :   | :   | :   | :   | :   | :   | :   | :   | :
ELERWHPALRFTEEVTDYDPQDVAKLPQSSRLMLFIYNGFAFLRRMGRLLIRYRWPRV
      230      240      250      260      270

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- 15 SEQ ID 8478 (GBS176) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 36 (lane 5 & 6; MW 30kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 41 (lane 7; MW 55.4kDa).

The GBS176-GST fusion product was purified (Figure 117A; see also Figure 202, lane 5) and used to immunise mice (lane 1+2 product; 13.5µg/mouse). The resulting antiserum was used for Western blot (Figure 117B), FACS (Figure 117C), and in the *in vivo* passive protection assay (Table III). These tests confirm that the protein is immunoaccessible on GBS bacteria and that it is an effective protective immunogen.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

25 Example 38

A DNA sequence (GBSx0036) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 117> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 118>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 32
30 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3712(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
35      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 10019> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 10020> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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40 >GP:AAC38046 GB:AF000954 No definition line found [Streptococcus mutans]
    Identities = 140/164 (85%), Positives = 157/164 (95%)

Query: 1 MYVEMIDETGQVSEDIKKQTLDLLLEFAAQKTGKENKEMAVTFVTNERSHELNLEYRDTDR 60
      MY+EMIDET QVSE IK QTLD+LEFAAQKTGKE+KEMAVTFVTNERSHELN+YRDT+R
45 Sbjct: 1 MYIEMIDETNQVSEGIKNQTLDLLEFAAQKTGKEDKEMAVTFVTNERSHELNLYRDTNR 60

Query: 61 PTDVISLEYKPEVDISFDEEDLAENPELAEMLEDFDSYIGELFISIDKAKEQAEYGHYSY 120
      PTDVISLEYKPE +SFDEEDLA++P+LAE+L +PD+YIGELFIS+DKA+EQA+EYGH+S
50 Sbjct: 61 PTDVISLEYKPESLSFDEEDLADDPDLAEVLTEFDAYIGELFISVDKAREQAQYEGHSF 120

Query: 121 EREMGLAVHGFHLHINGYDHYTPPEEEKEMFSLQEEILTAYGLKR 164
      EREMGLAVHGFHLHINGYDHYTP+EEKEMFSLQEEIL AYGLKR
Sbjct: 121 EREMGLAVHGFHLHINGYDHYTPQEEKEMFSLQEEILDAYGLKR 164

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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 119> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 120>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 49

5 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

10 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1145(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 138/165 (83%), Positives = 153/165 (92%)

15 Query: 1 MYVEMIDETGQVSEDIKKQTLDDLLEFAAQKTGKENKEMAVTFVTNERSHELNLEYRDTDR 60
MY+EMIDETGQVS++I +QTLDLL FAAQKTGKE KEM+VTFVTNERSHELNLEYRDTDR
Sbjct: 18 MYIEMIDETGQVSQEIMEQTLDDLNFFAAQKTGKEEKEMSVTFVTNERSHELNLEYRDTDR 77

20 Query: 61 PTDVISLEYKPEVDISFDEEDLAENPELAEMLEDFDSYIGELFISIDKAKEQAEYGHYSY 120
PTDVISLEYKPE I F +EDLA +P LAEM+ +FD+YIGELFISIDKA+EQ++EYGH+
Sbjct: 78 PTDVISLEYKPEPTPILEFSQEDLAADPSLAEMMARFDAYIGELFISIDKAREQSQYGHFSF 137

Query: 121 EREMGFLAVHGFLHINGYDHYTPREEKEMFSLQEEILTAYGLKRQ 165
EREMGFLAVHGFLHINGYDHYT EEEKEMF+LQEEILTAYGL RQ
25 Sbjct: 138 EREMGFLAVHGFLHINGYDHYTLEEEKEMFTLQEEILTAYGLTRQ 182

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 39

30 A DNA sequence (GBSx0038) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 121> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 122>. This protein is predicted to be phosphoglycerate dehydrogenase (serA) (serA). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 59

35 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

40 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2817(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAB99020 GB:U67544 phosphoglycerate dehydrogenase (serA)
[Methanococcus jannaschii]
45 Identities = 82/232 (35%), Positives = 132/232 (56%), Gaps = 14/232 (6%)

Query: 3 ENPDAYIIRSQN LHNQDF---PSNLKAIARAGAGTNNIPIEEASAQGIVVFNTPGANANA 59
++ D ++RS +D LK I RAG G +NI +E A+ +GI+V N P A++ +
Sbjct: 40 KDADV LVRS GTKVTRDVIEKAEKLKVIGRAGVGVNDIV EAA TEKGIIVVNAPDASSIS 99

50 Query: 60 VKEAVIAALLLSARDYLGANRWVNTLTGTDIPKQIEAGKKAFAAGNEIAGKKLGVLGLGAI 119
V E + +L +AR N T K+ E +K F G E+ GK LGVIGLG I
Sbjct: 100 VAELTMGLMLAAR-----NIPQATASLKRGEWDRKRFGKIELYGKTLGVIGLGRI 150

55 Query: 120 GARIANDARRLGMTVLGYDPYVSIETAWNISSHVQRVKEIKDIFETCDYITIHVPLTNET 179
G ++ A+ GM ++GYDPY+ E A ++ V+ V +I ++ + D+IT+HVPLT +T
Sbjct: 151 GQQVVKRAKAFGMNIIGYDPYIPKEVAESMG--VELVDDINELCKRADFITLHVPLTPKT 208

Query: 180 KHTFDAKAFSIMKKGTTIINFARAELVNNQELFEAIETGVVKRYITDFGDKE 231
 +H + ++MKK I+N AR L++ + L+EA++ G ++ D ++E
 Sbjct: 209 RHIIGREQIALMKKNAIIVNCARGGLIDEKALYEALKEGKIRAAALDVFEED 260

- 5 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 123> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 124>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 52

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

10

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2384(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

15

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 52/198 (26%), Positives = 93/198 (46%), Gaps = 14/198 (7%)

20 Query: 24 LKAIARAGAGTNNPIEEASAQGI VVFNTPGANANAVKEAVIAALLSARDYLGANRWVN 83
 +K IA+ A + ++A+ I++ N P + ++ E + +L R
 Sbjct: 70 IKQIAQHSASVDMYNLDLATENDIIITNVPSYSPESIAEFTVTIVLNLIRHV----- 121

25 Query: 84 TLTGTDIPKQIEAGKAFAGNEIAGKKLGVI GLGAIGARIANDARRLGMTVLGYDPYVSI 143
 L ++ KQ G + + +IG G IG A + G V+GYD Y S
 Sbjct: 122 ELIRENVKKQNF TWGLPIRGRVLGDMTVAIIGTGRIGLATAKIFKGFCKVVG YDIYQS- 180

Query: 144 ETAWNISSHVQRVKE-IKDIFETCDYITI HVPLTNETKH TFDKAFSIMKKGTTIINFAR 202
 + A + + + V+E IKD D +++H+P T E H F++ F KKG ++N AR
 Sbjct: 181 DAAKAVLDYKESVEEAIKD----ADLVSLHMPPTAENTHLFNSDLFKSFKKGAILMNMAR 236

30

Query: 203 AELVNNQELFEAIETGVV 220
 ++ Q+L +A++ G++
 Sbjct: 237 GAVIETQDLLDALDAGLL 254

- 35 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 40

- A DNA sequence (GBSx0039) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 125> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 126>. This protein is predicted to be alpha-glycerophosphate oxidase. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

40

Possible site: 50

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

45

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2067(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

- 50 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAC34740 GB:U94770 alpha-glycerophosphate oxidase [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
 Identities = 24/49 (48%), Positives = 37/49 (74%)

55 Query: 1 MLFMRDNLDSLIPVIDEMAKHYQWSDQDKTFYEEELHETLKDNDLAAL 49
 MLFMRD+LDS+++PV+DEM + Y W++++K Y ++ L +NDLA L
 Sbjct: 558 MLFMRDSLDSIVEPVLDEMGRFYDWTEEEKATYRADVEAALANNDLAE 606

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 127> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 128>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 40
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
5   INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -1.81    Transmembrane    20 - 36 ( 20 - 36)

----- Final Results -----
          bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1723(Affirmative) < succ>
          bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
10         bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

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>GP:AAC34740 GB:U94770 alpha-glycerophosphate oxidase [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
Identities = 462/607 (76%), Positives = 539/607 (88%)
15
Query: 1   MEFSRETRRLALQKMQERDLDLLIIGGGITGAGVALQAAASGLDTGLIEMQDFAQGTSSR 60
          MEFS++TR L+++KMQER LDLLIIGGGITGAGVALQAAASGL+TGLIEMQDFA+GTSSR
Sbjct: 1   MEFSKKTRELSIKKMQERTLDLLIIGGGITGAGVALQAAASGLETGLIEMQDFAEGTSSR 60

20
Query: 61  STKLHVHGGRLRYLKQFDVEVVS DTVSERAVVQIAPHIPKPDPMLLPVYDEPGSTFSMFRL 120
          STKLHVHGGRLRYLKQFDVEVVS DTVSERAVVQIAPHIPKPDPMLLPVYDE G+TFS+FRL
Sbjct: 61  STKLHVHGGRLRYLKQFDVEVVS DTVSERAVVQIAPHIPKPDPMLLPVYDEDGATFSLFRL 120

25
Query: 121 KVAMDLYDLLAGVSNTPAANKVLTKEEVLKREPDLKQEGLLGGGVYLD FRNNDARLV IEN 180
          KVAMDLYDLLAGVSNTP ANKVL+K++VL+R+P+LK+EGL+GGGVYLD FRNNDARLV IEN
Sbjct: 121 KVAMDLYDLLAGVSNTP TANKVLSKDQVLERQPNLKKEGLVGGGVYLD FRNNDARLV IEN 180

30
Query: 181 IKRANRDGALIA SHVKAEDFLDDNGKIIGVKARDLLSDQEIIKAKLVINTTGPWSD EI 240
          IKRAN+DGALIA+HVKAE FL D++GKI GV ARDLL+DQ IKA+LVINTTGPWSD++
Sbjct: 181 IKRANQDGALIANHVKAEGFLFDES GKITGVVARDLLTDQVFB IAKARLVINTTGPWSDKV 240

35
Query: 241 RQFSHKGP I HQMRPTKGVHLVVD RQKLPVSQPVYVDTGLNDGRMV FVLPREEKTYFGTT 300
          R S+KG QMRPTKGVHLVVD K+ VSQPVY DTGL DGRMV FVLPRE KTYFGTT
Sbjct: 241 RNLSNKG TQFSQMRPTKGVHLVVDSSKI KVSQPVYFDTGLDGRMV FVLPRENKTYFGTT 300

40
Query: 301 DTDYTGDL EHPQVTQEDVDYLLGVVNNRFPNANVTIDDI ESSWAGLRPLLSGNSASDYNG 360
          DTDYTGDL EHP+VTQEDVDYLLG+VNNRFP +N+TIDDI ESSWAGLRPL++GNSASDYNG
Sbjct: 301 DTDYTGDL EHPKVTQEDVDYLLGIVNNRFPESNITIDDI ESSWAGLRPLIAGNSASDYNG 360

45
Query: 361 GNSGKVSDDSF DFLVDTVKAYINHEDSREAVEKA I KQVETSTSEKELDPSAVSRGSSFER 420
          GN+G +SD+SFD+L+ TV++Y++ E +RE VE A+ ++E+STSEK LDPSAVSRGSS +R
Sbjct: 361 GNNGTISDESFDNL IATVESYLSKEKTR EDVESAVSKLESSTSEKHLDP SAVSRGSS LDR 420

50
Query: 421 DENG LFTLAGGKITDYRKMAEGAL TGIIQILKEEFGKSFKLINSKTYFVSGGEINPANVD 480
          D+NGL TLAGGKITDYRKMAEGA+ ++ ILK EF +SFKLINSKTYFVSGGE+NPANVD
Sbjct: 421 DDNGLL TLAGGKITDYRKMAEGAMERVVDILKAEFDRSFKLINSKTYFVSGGELNPANVD 480

55
Query: 481 SEIEAYAQLGTL SGLSMD DARYLANLYGSNAPKV FALTRQLTAAEGLSLAETLSLHYAMD 540
          SEIEA+AQLG GL +A YLANLYGSNAPKV FAL L A GLSLA+TL SLHYAM
Sbjct: 481 SEIEAFAQLGVS RGLDSKEAHYLANLYGSNAPKV FALAHSLEQA PGLSLADTL SLHYAMR 540

Query: 541 YEMALKPTDYFLRR TNHLLFMRDSL DALIDPVINEMAKHFEWSDQERVAQEDDLRRVIAD 600
          E+AL P D+ LRRTNH+LFMRDSL D++++PV++EM + ++W+++E+ D+ +A+
Sbjct: 541 NELALSPVD FLRR TNHMLFMRDSL DSIPEVLD EGRFYDWTEEEKATYRADVEAALAN 600

60
Query: 601 NDLSALK 607
          NDL+ LK
Sbjct: 601 NDLAELK 607

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60 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 29/49 (59%), Positives = 41/49 (83%)

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Query: 1   MLFMRDNLDSL I QPVIDEMAKHYQWSDQDKTFYEEELHETLKDNDL AAL 49
          +LFMRD+LD+LI PVI+EMAKH++WSDQ++ E++L + DNDL+AL

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Sbjct: 558 LLFMRDSDLALIDPVINEMAKHFEWSDQERVAQEDDLRRVIADNDLSAL 606

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

5 Example 41

A DNA sequence (GBSx0040) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 129> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 130>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 40

10 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

15 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1011(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:BAB06309 GB:AP001516 unknown conserved protein [Bacillus halodurans]
Identities = 70/160 (43%), Positives = 106/160 (65%), Gaps = 3/160 (1%)

20 Query: 5 TRPTTDKVKGAIFNMIGPFFEGGRVLDLFGSGSLAIEAISRGMDQAVLVEKDRRAQVVI 64
TRPTTDKVK AIFNMIGPFF+GG LDL+ GSG L IEA+SRG+++ + V++ +RA I
Sbjct: 21 TRPTTDKVKGAIFNMIGPFFDGGIGLDLYGGSGGLGIEALSRGVERMIFVDQOKRAIETI 80

25 Query: 65 QENIAMTKSPEQFQLLKMEANRALEQLTGQ---FDLVLLDPPYAKEEIVKQIQIMDSKGL 121
++N++ + ++ + +A RAL+ LT + F V LDPPYAK+ I + I+ + GL
Sbjct: 81 KQNLSHCGLEGRAEVYRNDAKRALQVLTGRGIVFAYVFLDPPYAKQTIKNDLAILANHGL 140

30 Query: 122 LGDDIMIACETDKSVLPEEIASFGIWKQKIYGISKVTVY 161
L + ++ CE D+ LP++I K++ YG + +T+Y
Sbjct: 141 LEEGGVVVCEHDRDTMLPDQIEYAVKHKEETYGDTMITIY 180

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 131> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 132>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

35 Possible site: 58

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

40 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3814(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

45 Identities = 111/160 (69%), Positives = 136/160 (84%)

Query: 3 RTTRPTTDKVKGAIFNMIGPFFEGGRVLDLFGSGSLAIEAISRGMDQAVLVEKDRRAQV 62
+ TRPT+DKV+GAIFNMIGP+F GGRVLDLF+GSG LAIEA+SRGM AVLVEK+R+AQ
Sbjct: 19 KITRPTSDKVRGAIFNMIGPYFNGGRVLDLFAGSGGLAIEAVSRGMSAAVLVEKNRKAQA 78

50 Query: 63 VIQENIAMTKSPEQFQLLKMEANRALEQLTGQFDLVLLDPPYAKEEIVKQIQIMDSKGLL 122
+IQ+NI MTK+ +F LLKMEA RA++ LTG+FDLV LDPPYAKE IV I+ + +K LL
Sbjct: 79 IIQDNIIMTKAENRFTLLKMEAERAIDCLTGRFDLVFLDPPYAKETIVATIEALAAKNLL 138

55 Query: 123 GDDIMIACETDKSVLPEEIASFGIWKQKIYGISKVTVYV 162
+ +M+ CETDK+V LP+EIA+ GIWK+KIYGISKVTVYV
Sbjct: 139 SEQVMVVCETDKTVLLPKETATLGIWKEKIYGISKVTVYV 178

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 42

A DNA sequence (GBSx0041) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 133> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 134>. This protein is predicted to be lipopolysaccharide core biosynthesis protein kdtB (kdtB). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 17

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1937(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:BA13272 GB:AP001119 lipopolysaccharide core biosynthesis

protein kdtB [Buchnera sp. APS]

Identities = 56/149 (37%), Positives = 94/149 (62%)

Query: 1 MTKKALFTGSFDPVTNGHLDIIERASYLFDHVIYIGLFYNLEKQGYFSIECRKKMLEEAI 60
M K A++ G+FDP+T GHLDII RA+ +FD + I + N K+ F+++ R ++ +

Sbjct: 1 MNKTAIYPGTFDPITYGHLDIITRATKIFDSITIAISNNFTKKPIFNLKERIELTRKVT 60

Query: 61 QFKNVSVLVAQDRLAVDLAREVGAKYFVRGLRNSQDFDYANLEFFNKQLADDIETVYLS 120
KNV ++ + L +LA++ A +RG+R DFDYE L NKQ+ D++++L

Sbjct: 61 HLKNVKKILGFNDLLANLAKKEKANILIRGVRTIFDFDYELKLAANKQIYPDLDSIFLL 120

Query: 121 TSPSLSPISSSRIRELIHFASVKPFVVPK 149

+S +S ISSS ++E+ +K +KP++PK

Sbjct: 121 SSKEVSFISSSFVKELAKYKGDIPYLPK 149

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 135> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 136>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 61

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1862(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 88/161 (54%), Positives = 124/161 (76%)

Query: 1 MTKKALFTGSFDPVTNGHLDIIERASYLFDHVIYIGLFYNLEKQGYFSIECRKKMLEEAI 60
+TK L+TGSFDPVTNGHLDI++RAS LFD +Y+G+F N K+ YF +E RK ML +A+

Sbjct: 2 LTKIGLYTGSFDPVTNGHLDIVKRASGLFDQIYVGI FDNPTKKS YFKLEVRKAMLTQALA 61

Query: 61 QFKNVSVLVAQDRLAVDLAREVGAKYFVRGLRNSQDFDYANLEFFNKQLADDIETVYLS 120
F NV V+ + +RLA+D+A+E+ + +RGLRN+ DF+YE NLE+FN LA +IETVYL

Sbjct: 62 DFTNVIVVTSHERLAIDVAKELRVTHLIRGLRNATDFEYEEENLEYFNHLLAPNIETVYLI 121

Query: 121 TSPSLSPISSSRIRELIHFASVKPFVVPKSVVREVEKMSEE 161

+ +SSSR+RELHF++S++ VP+SV+ +VEKM+E+

Sbjct: 122 SRNKWQALSSSRVRELHFQSSLEGLVPSVIAQVEKMNEK 162

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 43

A DNA sequence (GBSx0042) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 137> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 138>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 15

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

10 ----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1126 (Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

15 The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 44

20 A DNA sequence (GBSx0043) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 139> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 140>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 25

>>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq

25 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -11.04 Transmembrane 20 - 36 (12 - 43)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5416 (Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

30 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAB13378 GB:Z99111 ylbL [Bacillus subtilis]

35 Identities = 124/344 (36%), Positives = 199/344 (57%), Gaps = 21/344 (6%)

Query: 20 WIIGFAFLLLVLASLVRLPYYLEMPGGAYDIRSVLKVNNKADKAKGSYNFVAVSVSQAT 79

W++ L+ VL+ ++LPYY+ PG A ++ S++KV + KGS + + V V A

Sbjct: 9 WMLVILILIAVLS--FIKLPYYITKPGATELASLIKVEGGYPE-KGSLSLMTVKVGPAN 65

40 Query: 80 EAQVLYAWLTPFTEL----SSKEETTGGFSNDDYLRLNQFYMETSQNESIYQALKLANKQ 135

P ++A + P+ E+ S KEE G S+ +Y++ M++SQ ++ A + A K+

Sbjct: 66 FFTYVWAKMHPYIEIVDESIEKE---GESDKBYMKRQLQMMKSSQENAVIAAYQKAGKK 122

45 Query: 136 VSLTYKGVVVLNLAKNSTFKDRHLADTVTGUNGKSFKNSSQLIKYVAALHLGDKVKVQY 195

VS ++ G+Y ++ +N K ++ + D + +GK+++++ +LI Y+++ GDKV ++

Sbjct: 123 VSYFNGIYASSVVENMPAKGKIEVGDKIISADGKNYQSAEKLIDYISSKKAGDKVTLKI 182

Query: 196 TSQGGKKESVGKVIKLSNGKNGIGIGLTDHTE--VLSDPVPDFNTEGVGGPSAGLMFTLA 253

+ K+K + + + + GIG++ +T+ V + +DF E +GGPSAGLM +L

50 Sbjct: 183 EREEKEKRVTLTLKQFPDEPDRAIGVSLYTDNRNVKVEPDIDFEIENIGGPSAGLMSLE 242

Query: 254 IYDQLVKEDLRKGRKIAGTGTIEQNGHVGDIGGAGLKVVSAAKGMIDIFFVPNNPIDKNA 313

IY+QL K D KG IAGTGTI+ +G VG IGG KVV+A K G DIFF PN N

Sbjct: 243 IYNQLTKPDETKGYDIAGTGTIDVDGKVGPIGGIDQKVVAADKAGKDIFPAPNQCASN- 301

55

Query: 314 KKGKTKVQTNVQEAKAAKRLGTMKIVPVQNVQQAIDYLLKTK 357
 ++Y+ A AK + + MKIVPV +Q AIDYL K K
 Sbjct: 302 -----SDYKNAVKTAKDIDSNMKIVPVDTMQDAIDYLNKLK 337

- 5 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 141> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 142>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 23
 >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
 INTEGRAL Likelihood =-10.24 Transmembrane 10 - 26 (6 - 34)
 10 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5097(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 15

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

>GP:CAB13378 GB:Z99111 ylbL [Bacillus subtilis]
 Identities = 132/348 (37%), Positives = 198/348 (55%), Gaps = 16/348 (4%)
 20 Query: 1 MKRLKKIKWLVGLLALISLLALFFPLPYIEMPGGAYDIRTVLQVNGKEDKRKGAYQF 60
 M R K W LV +L LI++L F LPYYI PG A ++ ++++V G + KG+
 Sbjct: 1 MLRKKHFSWMLV-ILILIAVLS--FIKLPYYITKPGATELASLIKVEGGVPE-KGSLSL 56
 25 Query: 61 VAVGISRASLAQLLYAWLTFFTEISTAEDTTG-GYSDADFLRINQFYMETSQNAAIYQAL 119
 + V + A+ ++A + P+ EI E G SD ++++ M++SQ A+ A
 Sbjct: 57 MTVKVGPNPFTYVWAKMHPYIEVPDESKEGESDKEYMKRQLQMMKSSQENAVIAAY 116
 30 Query: 120 SLAGKPVTLDYKGVYVLDVNNSTFKGTLHLADTVTGNGKQFTSSAELIDYVSHLKLGD 179
 AGK V+ + G+Y V KG + + D + +GK + S+ +LIDY+S K GD
 Sbjct: 117 QKAGKQVSYSFNGIYASSVENMPAKGKIEVGDKLIISADGKNYQSAEKLIDYISSKKAGD 176
 35 Query: 180 EVTVQFTSDNPKKGVGRIIKN--GKNGIGIALTDHTSVNSEDTVIFSTKGVGGPSAG 237
 +VT++ + K K+ + + + + GIG++L +V E + F + +GGPSAG
 Sbjct: 177 KVTLKIEREEKEKRVTLTLKQFPDEPDRAGIGVSLYTDNRNVKEPDIDFEIENIGGPSAG 236
 40 Query: 238 LMFITLDIYDQITKEDLRKGRTIAGTGTIGKDEVGDIGGAGLKVVAAAEAGADIFFVPNN 297
 LM +L+Y+Q+TK D KG IAGTGTI DG+VG IGG KVVA +AG DIFF PN
 Sbjct: 237 LMMSLEIYNQLTKPDETKGYDIAGTGTIDVDGKVGPIGGIDQKVVAADKAGKDIFFAPNQ 296
 45 Query: 298 PVDKEIKKVNPNNAISNYEEAKRAAKRLKTMKIVPVTTVQEALVYLK 345
 N + S+Y+ A + AK + + MKIVPV T+Q+A+ YL K
 Sbjct: 297 -----NGASNSDYKNAVKTAKDIDSNMKIVPVDTMQDAIDYLNK 335

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

45 Identities = 229/339 (67%), Positives = 276/339 (80%)
 Query: 17 LKWWIIGFAFLLLVLASLVRLPYYLEMPGGAYDIRSVLKVNNKADKAGSYNFVAVSVS 76
 +KWW++G L+ +L +L LPYY+EMPGGAYDIR+VL+VN K DK KG+Y FVAV +S
 50 Sbjct: 7 IKWWLVGLLALISLLALFFPLPYIEMPGGAYDIRTVLQVNGKEDKRKGAYQFVAVGIS 66
 Query: 77 QATPAQVLYAWLTFFTELSSKEETGGFSNDYLRINQFYMETSQNESIYQALKLANKQV 136
 +A+ AQ+LYAWLTFFTE+S+ E+TTGG+S+ D+LRINQFYMETSQN +IYQAL LA K V
 55 Sbjct: 67 RASLAQLLYAWLTFFTEISTAEDTTGGYSDADFLRINQFYMETSQNAAIYQALSAGKPV 126
 Query: 137 SLTYKGVYVVLNLAKNSTFKDRHLADTVTGNGKSFKNSSQLIKYVAALHLGDKVKVQYT 196
 +L YKGVVVL++ STFK LHLADTVTGNGK F +S++LI YV+ L LGD+V VQ+T
 60 Sbjct: 127 TLDYKGVYVLDVNNSTFKGTLHLADTVTGNGKQFTSSAELIDYVSHLKLGDDEVTVQFT 186
 Query: 197 SQGKKKESVGKVIKLSNGKNGIGIGLTDHTEVLSDVPVDFNTEGVGGPSAGLMFTLAIYD 256
 S K K+ VG++IKL NGKNGIGI LTDHT V S+ V F+T+GVGGPSAGLMFTL IYD
 Sbjct: 187 SDNPKPKGVGRIIKNKNGKNGIGIALTDHTSVNSEDTVIFSTKGVGGPSAGLMFTLAIYD 246
 Query: 257 QLVKEDLRKGRKIAGTGTIEQNGHVGDIGGAGLKVVSAKKGMDIFFVPNNPIDKNAKKG 316
 Q+ KEDLRKGR IAGTGTI ++G VGDIGGAGLKVV+AA+ G DIFFVPNNP+DK KK

Subject: 307 NPNAISNYEEAKRAAKRLKTKMKIVPVTTVQEALVYLRLK 345

SEQ ID 8480 (GBS39) was expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 12 (lane 9; MW 65.2kDa) and Figure 15 (lane 3; MW 40kDa).

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 45

A DNA sequence (GBSx0044) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 143> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 144>. This protein is predicted to be UDP-sugar hydrolase. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 17

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3908(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CA815227 GB:Z99120 similar to hypothetical proteins [Bacillus subtilis]
Identities = 114/280 (40%), Positives = 173/280 (61%), Gaps = 9/280 (3%)

Query: 1 MTELIRILHLNDLHSHFENFPKVKRFFH---DNQAQPIETISLDLGDNDKSHPLTEAS 56
M E +R+ H NDLHSHFEN+PK+ + ++Q+ ET+ D+GD++D+ +TEA+
Sbjct: 1 MKEKLRLYHTNDLHSHFENWPKIVDYIEQKRKEHQSDGEETLVFDIGDHLDRFQFVTEAT 60

Query: 57 SGKANVQLMNELGIELATIGNNEGVLGSKKDLQVYKDSDFTVIVGNLKD-NIEPSWAK 115
GKANV L+N L I+ A IGNNEG+ L ++L +Y ++F VIV NL D N PSWA
Sbjct: 61 FGKANVDLLNRLHIDGAAIGNNEGITLPHEELAALYDHAEFPVIVSNLFDKNGNRPSWAV 120

Query: 116 PYIIYETQQGTKLAFLAYTFPPYKTYEPNGWTIEDPIDCLKCHLQINEIK-EANCRILMS 174
PY I + G +AFL T PYY Y+ GWT+ D ++ +K I E+K +A+ +L+S
Sbjct: 121 FYHIKSLKNGMSIAFLGVTVPPYVPYDKLGWTVTDALESIK--ETILEVKGQADIIVLLS 178

Query: 175 HLGIRFDTRIAQEFSEIDLIIGAHTHHLFEEGELINGTYLAAAGKYGRFVGSIDITFDNH 234
HLGI D +A+ EID+I+ +HTHHL E+G+++NG LA+A KYG +VG ++IT D+
Sbjct: 179 HLGILDDQAVAEAVPEIDVILESHTHLLEDGQVVNGVLLASAEKYGHYVGCVEITVDS- 237

Query: 235 TLKDILISTCDTKQLTGYPSSDSDWLRRLSQQVKNSLEKKV 274
+ I T + + + +S + + + E+K+
Sbjct: 238 VQRSINSKTASVQNMAEWTGESAEKAFLEKEREAEKKL 277

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 46

A DNA sequence (GBSx0045) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 145> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 146>. This protein is predicted to be UDP-sugar hydrolase. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 44

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.48 Transmembrane 5 - 21 (5 - 21)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1192(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9605> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9606> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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5  >GP:CAB15227 GB:Z99120 similar to hypothetical proteins [Bacillus subtilis]
    Identities = 29/137 (21%), Positives = 71/137 (51%), Gaps = 13/137 (9%)

    Query: 3  AMLFYAGADVAINNSGLIVQPFKDFSRKNLHESLPHQMRLAKLTVSSQELLEIYETIY 61
              A+  +  D++++NSG+I+ P +  ++ +LH  PH +  + ++ +EL E  ++
10  Sbjct: 305 ALKEWCETDISMVNSGVILGPLKAGPVTKLDLHRICPHPINPFAVRLTGEELKETI--VH 362

    Query: 62  QQGQFLAQQKIHGGMGFRGKCFGEVLHSGFDYKN-----GKIVYNEKDIDAKEEVI 111
              + + Q +I G+GFRG+  G+++++G + +  +I N +DI+  ++
15  Sbjct: 363 AASEQMEQLRIKGLGFRGEVMGKMVYAGVEVETKRLDDGITHVTRITLNGEDIEKHKQYS 422

    Query: 112 LVIIVDQYYFASYFECLK 128
              + ++D +  F  ++
20  Sbjct: 423 VAVLDMFTLGKLFPLIR 439

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20 No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 47

25 A DNA sequence (GBSx0046) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 147> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 148>. This protein is predicted to be unnamed protein product. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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    Possible site: 29

    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
30  ----- Final Results -----
              bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3567(Affirmative) < succ>
              bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
              bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
35

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The protein differs from AX026665 at the C-terminus:

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    Query: 181 SAKQH FVIRKK 191
              SAKQH +  +K
40  Sbjct: 181 SAKQHLLFVRK 191

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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 149> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 150>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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    Possible site: 37

    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
45  ----- Final Results -----
              bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3974(Affirmative) < succ>
              bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
50  bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 110/205 (53%), Positives = 147/205 (71%), Gaps = 15/205 (7%)

-101-

Query: 1 MRKEVTPPEMLNKNYPGPQFIHFENIVKSDDIEFQLVINEKSAFDVTVFGQRFSEILLKY 60
 M+KE++PEM NYNK+PGP+FIHFE VK++ I+ L+ + K+AFD T FGQR++E+LLKY
 Sbjct: 9 MKKEISPEMYNKNKFPKPFIFHEQVKAEGIDLILLEDVKNAFDTTSTFGQRYTEVLLKY 68

5 Query: 61 DFIVGDWGNELRLRGFYKDASTIRKNSRISRLIEDYIKEYCNFGCAYFVLENNPRDIKF 120
 D+IVGDWGNELRL+GFYKD+ I+K +RISRLIEDYIKE+CNFGCAYFVLEN +P+DIKF
 Sbjct: 69 DYIVGDWGNELRLRGFYKSDDIKKTNRISRLIEDYIKEYCNFGCAYFVLENLHPQDIKF 128

10 Query: 121 DDERPHKRRKS-----RSKSQSSKSQTRNNRSQSN-----NAHFTSKKRKDTKRR 166
 ++ER +R+KS R K S Q +S+S N FTS+KR+ +
 Sbjct: 129 EEEERQPRRKSPKSKSNRRKPNYSNQPATPKSKSKRASKEKQPENQAFSTQKRRSNTKH 188

Query: 167 QERHIKEEQDKEMTSAKQHFVIRKK 191
 +E+ K Q ++ + HF+IRKK
 15 Sbjct: 189 KEKS-KRNQTSQNLTKISHFIIRKK 212

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 48

20 A DNA sequence (GBSx0047) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 151> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 152>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 32

25 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3627 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

30

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9607> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9608> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

35 >GP:BA06225 GB:AP001515 unknown conserved protein [Bacillus halodurans]
 Identities = 205/349 (58%), Positives = 258/349 (73%), Gaps = 5/349 (1%)

Query: 18 PSYISLTRDELIWAIEHGEKKFRASQIWDWLYKKRVQSFDEMTNISKDFIALNENFVV 77
 PSYI+L +EL W E GE KFRA+QI++WLY+KRV+ F EMTN+SKD A L ++F +
 40 Sbjct: 17 PSYITLQFEELEMWLKEQGBPKFRATQIFEWLYEKRVKQFQEMTNLSKDLRAKLEKHFNL 76

Query: 78 NPLKQRIVQESADGTVKYLFPDGLIETVLMRQHYGLSVCVITQVGCNIGCTFCASGL 137
 LK Q+S+DGT+K+LFEL DG IETV+MR +YG SVCVITQVGC +GCTFCAS L
 Sbjct: 77 TTLKTVTKQQSSDGTIKFLFELHDGYSIETVVMRHNYGNSVCVITQVGCRLGCTFCASTL 136

45 Query: 138 IKKQRDNLNGEITAQIMLVQKYFDERGQGERVSHIVVMGIGEPFDNYTNVLKFLRTVNDD 197
 +R+L GEI AQ++ Q+ DE QGERV IVVMGIGEPFDNY ++ FL+TVN D
 Sbjct: 137 GGLKRNLEAGEIVAQVVEAQRAMDE--QGERVGSIVVMGIGEPFDNYQALMPFLKTVNHD 194

50 Query: 198 NGLAIGARHITVSTSGLAHKIREFANEGVQVNLAVSLHAPNNDLRSSIMRINRSFPLEKL 257
 GL IGARHITVSTSG+ KI +FA+EG+Q+N A+SLHAPN +LRS +M +NR++PL KL
 Sbjct: 195 KGLNIGARHITVSTSGVVPKIYQFADEGLQINFAISLHAPNTELRSKLMPVNRWAPLPKL 254

Query: 258 FAAIEYYIETTNRRVTFEYIMLVNDTPENAQELADLTKKIRKLSYVNLIPYNPVSEHD 317
 AI YYI+ T RRVTFEY + G ND E+A+ELADL K I+ +VNLIP N V E D
 55 Sbjct: 255 MDAIRYYIDKTRRVTFEYGLFGGENDQVEHAEEELADLIKDIK--CHVNLIPVNYVPERD 312

Query: 318 QYSRSPKERVEAFYDVLKKNVNCVVRQEHGTDIDAACGQLRSNTMKRD 366
 Y R+P++++ AF LK+ GVN +R+E G DIDAACGQLR+ K +
 60 Sbjct: 313 -YVRTPRDQIFAFERTLKERGVNVVTIRREQHDDIDAACGQLRAKERKEE 360

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 153> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 154>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 17

5 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

10 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2320 (Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 316/353 (89%), Positives = 339/353 (95%)

15 Query: 17 KPSIYSLTRDELIAWAIEHGEKKFRASQIWDWLYKKRVQSFDEMTNISKDFIALLNENFV 76
KPSIYSLTRDELIAWA+E G+K+FRA+QIWDWLYKKRVQSF+EMTNISKDF+++LN++F
Sbjct: 2 KPSIYSLTRDELIAWAVERGQKQFRATQIWDWLYKKRVQSFDEMTNISKDFVSIILNDSFC 61

20 Query: 77 VNPLKQRIVQESADGTVKYLFEPLDGM LIETVLMRQHYGLSVCVTTQVGCNIGCTFCASG 136
VNPLKQR+VQESADGTVKYLFEPLDGM LIETVLMRQHYG SVCVTTQVGCNIGCTFCASG
Sbjct: 62 VNPLKQRVVQESADGTVKYLFEPLDGM LIETVLMRQHYGHSVCVTTQVGCNIGCTFCASG 121

25 Query: 137 LIKKQRDNLNNGEITAQIMLVQKYFDERGQGERVSHIVVMGIGEPFDNYTNVLKFLRTVND 196
LIKKQRDNLN+GEITAQIMLVQKYFD+R QGERVSH+VVMGIGEPFDNY NV+ FLR +ND
Sbjct: 122 LIKKQRDNLNNGEITAQIMLVQKYFD+RQGERVSHVVMGIGEPFDNYKNVMCFLRVIND 181

30 Query: 197 DNGLAIGARHITVSTSGLAHKIRFANEGVQVNLAVSLHAPNNDLRSSIMRINRSFPLEK 256
DNGLAIGARHITVSTSGLAHKIR+FANEGVQVNLAVSLHAPNNDLRSSIMR+NRSFPLEK
Sbjct: 182 DNGLAIGARHITVSTSGLAHKIRDFANEGVQVNLAVSLHAPNNDLRSSIMRVNRSFPLEK 241

35 Query: 257 LFAAIEYYIETNRRVTFEYIMLNGVNDTPENAQELADLTCKIRKLSYVNLIPYNPVSEH 316
LF+AIEYYIE TNRRVTFEYIMLN VND+ + AQELADLTCKIRKLSYVNLIPYNPVSEH
Sbjct: 242 LFAAIEYYIEKTNRRVTFEYIMLNEVNDSEIKQAQELADLTCKIRKLSYVNLIPYNPVSEH 301

Query: 317 DQYSRSPKERVEAFYDVLKKNVNCVVRQEHGTDIDAACGQLRSNTMKRDRQK 369
DQYSRSPKERV AFYDVLKKNVNCVVRQEHGTDIDAACGQLRS TMK+DR+K
Sbjct: 302 DQYSRSPKERVAFYDVLKKNVNCVVRQEHGTDIDAACGQLRSKTMKKDREK 354

40 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 49

A DNA sequence (GBSx0048) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 155> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 156>. This protein is predicted to be VanZF. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

45 Possible site: 47

>>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq

50 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -9.61 Transmembrane 86 - 102 (77 - 106)
INTEGRAL Likelihood = -8.60 Transmembrane 19 - 35 (15 - 42)
INTEGRAL Likelihood = -5.15 Transmembrane 113 - 129 (109 - 134)

----- Final Results -----

55 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4843 (Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAF36806 GB:AF155139 VanZF [Paenibacillus popilliae]

Identities = 45/154 (29%), Positives = 68/154 (43%), Gaps = 36/154 (23%)

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Query: 17  RRFVWMLVIIYCLIIVRMCFGPQIMIEGVSTPNVQRFGRIVAL-----LVPFNSFRSL 69
           R F+W+ V ++ L +V M G             NV GR L       L+PF+S
5  Sbjet: 36  RHFLWVYVFLFYLAIVYMMTG-----IGNVWVVGRYETLIRVSEINLLPFSS---- 82

Query: 70  DQLTSFKEIFWVIGQNVNILLFPLIIGLLSLKPSLRKYKSVILLAFMSIFIECTQVV 129
           + +T++          ++NI+L PL L ++ P R K+       F S+ IE TQ++
10 Sbjet: 83  EGVTTY-----ILNIILFMPLGFLLPITWQFRTIKNTACTGFFFLAIELTQLL 132

Query: 130 LDILIDANRVFEIDDLWTNTLGGFFALWTYRNIK 163
           +R+ +IDDL NTLG             YR K
15 Sbjet: 133 -----NHRITDIDDLMMNTLGAIIGYLLYRAFK 160

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15 No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 50

20 A DNA sequence (GBSx0049) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 157> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 158>. This protein is predicted to be multidrug resistance-like ATP-binding protein mdl. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 30

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>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
25  INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -6.79    Transmembrane  18 - 34 ( 17 - 36)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -5.15    Transmembrane  247 - 263 ( 242 - 268)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -2.81    Transmembrane  160 - 176 ( 158 - 176)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -2.71    Transmembrane  141 - 157 ( 134 - 158)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -1.12    Transmembrane   56 - 72 ( 56 - 73)
30  INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -0.69    Transmembrane  278 - 294 ( 277 - 294)

----- Final Results -----
          bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.3718(Affirmative) < succ>
          bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
35  bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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>GP:BAB06055 ABC transporter (ATP-binding protein) [Bacillus halodurans]
Identities = 284/575 (49%), Positives = 406/575 (70%), Gaps = 2/575 (0%)
40  Query: 1  MSIIKNLWVFFKEKKRYLIGILSLVAVLNLIPPKIMGSVDAITTKLTPQLLWNL 60
           M + +LWVFFK+EKK Y GI+ L++V++L L+PP+++G ++D I G LT P LL +
    Sbjet: 1  MKVFVDLWVFFKQEKKSYPGIVMLAIVSLLTLVPPRVVGIIVDHIYEGTLTMPVLLQWI 60

45  Query: 61  LGLVLSALAMYGLRYIWRMYILGTSYKLGQVVRYRLFHFHTKMSPSFYQKYRTGDLMAHA 120
           L AL +Y RY+WR+ I G S +L +++R +L+ HFT M+ FYQK+RTGDLMAHA
    Sbjet: 61  GVLAALALIVYVARYLWRVMI FGASLRRLARLLRNQLYTHFTNMAAPFYQKHRTGDLMAHA 120

50  Query: 121 TNDINSLTRLAGGVMSAVDASITALVTLITMFFTISWQMTLIAVIPLPLMALATSKLGR 180
           TNDI ++ AG GV++ VD+          ++TM TISW++TLI+++P+PLMAL TS G
    Sbjet: 121 TNDIRAIQATAGQGVLTLDVSLTMGGFVILTMAITISWELTLISLLPMLMALLTSYVGS 180

55  Query: 181 KTHETFKESQAAFSELNNKVQESVSGVKVTKSFGYQEQEIASFQEVNQMTFVKNMRTMTY 240
           H+ F +QAAFS LN+KVQESV+GV+VTK+FG +EQ+I +F++ + KN+
    Sbjet: 181 LLHKRFHHAQAAFSSLNDKVQESVTGVRVTKAFGQEEQDIEAFRKQSDDVVKKNVAVARV 240

60  Query: 241 DVMFDPLVLLFFIGASVLTAMGAFMISKQVTVGDLVTFVTYLDMLVWPLMAIGFLFNM 300
           D +FDP + L +G SY L + GA + Q+T+G L +F YL +L+WP++A GFLFN+
    Sbjet: 241 DALFDPTISLIVGLSYFLAIVFGARFVIAEQLTIGQLTSFTIYLGLLIWPLMAFGFLFNI 300

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Query: 301 VQRGSVSYNRINSLLQESDITDPLNPIRPVNVGTLRYDIDFFRYDN--EETLADIHFTL 358
 V+RG SYNRR++ LL+ + +ITD I G + ID F Y N E LAD+ F L
 Sbjct: 301 VERGRASYNRVSQLQAKQEITDSRARIHVPTGHVDVAIDQFVYPNQKEPALADVQFEL 360

5 Query: 359 EKGQTLGLVGQTGSGKTSLIKLLREHDVTQKITLNKHDIRDYRLSELRLIGYVPQDQ 418
 +G+TLG+VG+TG+GKT+L++LL RE+D+ QG I L+ I Y L L+ G VPQD
 Sbjct: 361 SEGETLGIVGKTGAGKTTLLRLLQREYDIKQGTIILDGRPIEHYTLDAKAAFGTVPQDH 420

10 Query: 419 FLFATSILENVRFGNPTLSINAVKKATKLAHVYDDIKQMPAGFETLIGEGVSLSGGQKQ 478
 FLF+ +I +N+ F P +I+ + + ++LAH++DDI Q G++T++GE+GV+LSGGQKQ
 Sbjct: 421 FLFSATTADNIAFAKPDATISEIIQVSQLAHIHDDIIQFEQGYDTVVGEGVTLSSGGQKQ 480

15 Query: 479 RIAMSRAMILDPDILILDDSLSAVDAKTEHAIENLKTNRQCKSTIISAHRLSAVVHADL 538
 R++++RA++ +P+ILILDDSLSAVDAKTE AI+ +L+ R+GK+TII+AHRLSA+ HAD
 Sbjct: 481 RVSIARALLANPNILILDDSLSAVDAKTEEAILSSLRAERKKGKTTIITAHRLSAIKHADH 540

20 Query: 539 ILVMQDGRVIERGQHQLLNKGGWYAETIASQQLE 573
 ILVM DGR++ERG H+ L+ GGWY Y QQLE
 Sbjct: 541 ILVMDDGRIVERGTHETLMEAGGWYRNMRYERQQLE 575

There is also homology to SEQ ID 8.

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 159> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 160>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 23

25 >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq

INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -7.75	Transmembrane	176 - 192 (173 - 197)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -4.78	Transmembrane	267 - 283 (265 - 285)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -4.09	Transmembrane	18 - 34 (15 - 40)
30 INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -2.13	Transmembrane	151 - 167 (150 - 169)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -0.69	Transmembrane	85 - 101 (85 - 101)

----- Final Results -----

35 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4100(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 172/609 (28%), Positives = 315/609 (51%), Gaps = 58/609 (9%)

40 Query: 1 MSIIKNLWWFFKEEKKRYLIGILSLSLVAVLNLIIPPKIMGSVIDAITGKLTQPQLLWNL 60
 M + W++FK + + + +++ L L + P +G + + GK+ + + +
 Sbjct: 2 MKTARFFWFYFKRYRFSFTVIAVAVILATYLVKAPVFLGESLTEL--GKIGQAYYVAKM 59

45 Query: 61 LGLV-----LSAL--AMYGLRYIWRMYILGT---SYKLGQVV-----RYRLFHFHTKM 103
 G LSA M+ L + +L S+ L +VV R LF ++
 Sbjct: 60 SGQTHFSPDLSAFNAVVMFKLLMTYFFTVLANLIYSFLLTRVVSHTNRMRKGLFGKLERL 119

50 Query: 104 SPSFYQKYRTGDLMAHATNDINSITRLAGGGVMSAVDASITALVTLITMFFTISWQM--- 160
 + +F+ +++ G++++ T+D+++ + ++++ S+ +VT I ++ + W M
 Sbjct: 120 TVAFFDRHKDGEILSRFTSDLDN-----IQNSLNQSLIQVVTNIALYIGLVMMFRQ 171

55 Query: 161 -----TLIAVIPLPLMALATS-KLGRKTHETFKESQAASFELNNKVQESVSGVKVTKSF 213
 IA P+ L+ L + +L RK Q S LN + E++SG K
 Sbjct: 172 DSRLLALLTIASTPVALIFLVINIRLARKYTNI---QQQEVSAINAFMDETISGQKAIIVQ 228

60 Query: 214 GYQEQEIASF---QEVNQMTFVKNMRT-----MTYDVMFDPLVLLFIGASYVLT-LAM 262
 G QE + +F + V Q TF + + + M + + +++F+G++ VL+ +M
 Sbjct: 229 GVQEDTMTAFLKHNERVRQATFKRRLFSGQLFPVMNGMSLINTAIVIFVGSTIVLSDKSM 288

Query: 263 GAFMISKGQVTVGDLVTFVITYLDMVLVWPLMAIGFLENMVQRGSVSYNRINSLLQESDIT 322
 A +G +VTFV Y P+M I + +Q +RI + ++ ++
 Sbjct: 289 PA-----AAALGLVVTFVQYSQQYYQPMQIASSWGELQLAFTGAHRIQEMFDETEEV 342

Query: 323 DPLNPIRPVVNGTLRYD-IDFFRYDNEETLADIHFTLEKGQTLGLVGQTGSGKTSLIKLL 381
 P + + + +DF ++ L+D+ KG+ + +VG TGSgkt+++ L+
 Sbjct: 343 PQNAPAFITSLKEAVAINHVDFGYLPGQKVLSDVSIVAPKGKMIAVVGPTGSGKTTIMNLI 402

5 Query: 382 LREHDVTQGGKITLNKHDIRDYRLSELRLQIGYVPQDQFLFATSILENVRFGNPTLSINAV 441
 R +DV G IT + DIRDY L LRQ +G V Q+ LF+ +I +N+RFG+ T+S + V
 Sbjct: 403 NRFYDVDAGSITFDGRDIRDYDLDSLRLQKVGIVLQESVLFSGTITDNIRFGDQTISQDMV 462

10 Query: 442 KKATKLAHVYDDIKQMPAGFETLIGEKGVSLSGGQKQRIAMSRAMILDPELILDDSLSA 501
 + A + H++D I +P G+ T + + S GQKQ I+++R ++ DP++LILD++ S
 Sbjct: 463 ETAARATHIHDFIMSLPKGYNTYVSDDDNVFSTGQKQLISARTLLTDPEVLILDEATSN 522

Query: 502 VDAKTEHAIIENLKTNRQKSTIISAHRLSAVVHADLILVMQDGRVIERGQHQLLNKGG 561
 VD TE I ++ G+++ + AHRL +++AD I+V++DG+VIE+G H ELL++ G
 15 Sbjct: 523 VDTVTESKIQRAMEAIVAGRTSFVIAHRLKTIILNADHIIVLKDGKQVIEQGNHHELLHQKG 582

Query: 562 WYAETYASQ 570
 +YAE Y +Q
 20 Sbjct: 583 FYAELYHNQ 591

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 51

A DNA sequence (GBSx0050) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 161> which encodes the amino acid
 25 sequence <SEQ ID 162>. This protein is predicted to be mdIB (ATP-bindingprot). Analysis of this protein
 sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 39

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

30 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -8.65 Transmembrane 164 - 180 (155 - 183)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -5.15 Transmembrane 25 - 41 (21 - 46)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -4.88 Transmembrane 143 - 159 (133 - 163)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -1.49 Transmembrane 251 - 267 (251 - 270)
 35 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -1.33 Transmembrane 61 - 77 (61 - 77)

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4461(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 40 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:BAB06054 ABC transporter (ATP-binding protein) [Bacillus halodurans]
 Identities = 278/582 (47%), Positives = 398/582 (67%), Gaps = 6/582 (1%)

45 Query: 1 MMKSNQWQVFKRLISYLRPYKWFTVLALSLLLLTTVVKNIIPLIASHFIDHYLT-NVNQT 59
 + Q VFKRL+SY YK ++A LL + T + + P+I FID YLT T
 Sbjct: 9 LSSKEQRTVFKRLLSYAAHYKGQMLMVAFLLLFIATGAQLLGPPIIVKIFIDDYLTTPRYFPT 68

Query: 60 AVLILVG--YYSMYVLQTLIQYFGNLFFARVSYIVRDIRRDAFANMERLGMSYFDRTPA 117
 VL L+G Y +++ +I Y+ F +V+ SIV+ +R D F++++RLG+S+FD+TPA
 50 Sbjct: 69 DVLFLLGAGYLVHLTAVIDDYQLFLQKVALSIVQRLRIDVFSSVQRLGLSFFDQTPA 128

Query: 118 GSIVSRITNDTEAISDMFSGILSSFISAIPIFTVTLYTMLMLDIKLTGLVALLLPVIFIL 177
 G +VSRITNDTE+I +++ +L++F+ I M L++ L +LLP+IF L
 55 Sbjct: 129 GGLVSRITNDTESIKELYVTVLATFVQNIIFLIGIFAAMFYLVNVTLAICYLVLLPLIFAL 188

Query: 178 VNVYRKKSVTVIAKTRSLSDINSKLSIESIEGIRIVQAFGQEERLKTFFEEINKEHVVA 237
 + VYRK S A LS +N +++ESI+G+ I+Q F QE R++ EF IN EH +
 60 Sbjct: 189 MQVYRKYSRFRYADMSEKSLNLRINESIQGMAIIQMFRQERRMRKEFSAINDEHFLAG 248

Query: 238 NRSMALDSLFLRPAMSLKLLAYAVLMAYFGFTGVKGGTAGLMYAFIQYVNRLFDPLIE 297

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      +SM LD L LRPA+ +L +LA ++++YFG + + G++YAF+ Y++R F+P+ +
Sbjct: 249 MKSMKLDGLLLRPAVDVLSILALMLLSYFGIMSMDTAVEIGVVYAFVNYLDRFFEPVNO 308

5  Query: 298 VTQNFSTLQTSMVSAAGRVFDLIDETGFEPQKNTF--AFVREGNIEFKNVSFSDGKKQI 355
      + S .Q ++VSAGRVF L+D P ++ E A + EGN+EF+NVSFSDGK +
Sbjct: 309 MMRRLSMFQQAIVSAGRVFKLMDHRELAPDREGNEHPAIIQEGNVEFRNVSFSDGKTNV 368

      LDNVSVSVKKGETIAFVGATGSGKSSIINVFMRFYEFQSGQVLLDGKDIRDYSQEQLRKN 415
10 Sbjct: 369 LKNISFTVKKGETVALVGHTGSGKTSIINVLMRFYPLQDGEILIDGKPLTSFENNELRAK 428

      IGLVLQDPFLYHGTIKSNIKMY-QDITDQEVQDAAEFVDADOFIQKLPDKYDAAVSERGS 474
Query: 416 +GLVLQDPFLY GTI SNI++Y Q I+D ++ AA FV AD FI++L Y+ V+ERG+
Sbjct: 429 VGLVLQDPFLYTGTIASNIRLYDQAISDDRIKRAASFVRADGFIERLSHGYETKVTERGA 488

15 Query: 475 SFSTGQRQLLAFARTVASKPKILILDEATANIDSETEQIVQDSLAKMRQGRTTTIAIAHRL 534
      +FS+GQRQLL+FART+ +P ILILDEATA++D+ETE+ +Q++L +M+QGRTTTIAIAHRL
Sbjct: 489 TFSSGQRQLLSFARTMVREPAIILILDEATASVDTETEEAIQEALERMKQGRTTTIAIAHRL 548

20 Query: 535 STIQDANCIYVLDGRKIIESGNHESLLDLKGTYYRMYQLQAG 576
      STI+DA+ I VL +G+I+E G H+ L+ KG Y +MY LQ G
Sbjct: 549 STIKDADQILVLHQGEIVERGTHDELIACKGLYQKMYVLQKG 590

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There is also homology to SEQ ID 160.

25 A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8481> and protein <SEQ ID 8482> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Lipop: Possible site: -1  Crend: 10
McG: Discrim Score: -4.63
GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -5.85
30 Possible site: 39
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
ALOM program count: 5 value: -8.65 threshold: 0.0
      INTEGRAL Likelihood = -8.65 Transmembrane 164 - 180 ( 155 - 183)
      INTEGRAL Likelihood = -5.15 Transmembrane 25 - 41 ( 21 - 46)
35      INTEGRAL Likelihood = -4.88 Transmembrane 143 - 159 ( 133 - 163)
      INTEGRAL Likelihood = -1.49 Transmembrane 251 - 267 ( 251 - 270)
      INTEGRAL Likelihood = -1.33 Transmembrane 61 - 77 ( 61 - 77)
      PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 3.02 483
40 modified ALOM score: 2.23

*** Reasoning Step: 3

----- Final Results -----
45      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4461(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

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50 ORF01277(322 - 2028 of 2340)
EGAD|108578|BS0971(2 - 667 of 673) hypothetical protein {Bacillus subtilis} OMNI|NT01BS1137
conserved hypothetical protein GP|2226165|emb|CAA74449.1||Y14080 hypothetical protein
{Bacillus subtilis} GP|2633307|emb|CAB12811.1||Z99109 similar to ABC transporter (ATP-
binding protein) {Bacillus subtilis} PIR|H69828|H69828 ABC transporter (ATP-binding
55 protein) homolog yheH - Bacillus subtilis
%Match = 28.5
%Identity = 40.8 %Similarity = 69.1
Matches = 234 Mismatches = 171 Conservative Sub.s = 162

162      192      222      252      282      312      342      372
60 RLLFQHDYDQLLCTQTLS*LCKTAESSESVSIKSC*IKVVGMLKRMPSN*KWRKHLMKSNQWQVFKRLISYLRPYKWF
      :: | | | | : :
      MKIGKTLWRYALLYRKLL

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402      432      462      480
VLALSLLLLTTVVKNIIPLIASHFIDHYLTNNQT-----A
: | : | : : | : | : : |
ITAVLLLTAVAGABLTGPFIGKMKIDHILGIEKTIWYEAEEKDKNAVQFHGVSIVV~~~AAEKLTKQELFQFYQPEIKGM
5      30      40      50      60      70      140

510      540      570      600      630      660      690      720
VLLILVGYYSMYVLQTLIQYFGNLFARVSYIVRDIRDAFANMERLGMYSYFDRTPAGSIVSRITNDTEAISDMFSGILS
10  | | : | : | : | : : : | : : : | : : : : | | | | : | : | : | : | : | : | : : |
VLLICLYGGLLVFSVFFQYQGHYLLQMSANRIIQKMRQDVFSHIQKMPYRFDNLPAGKVVARITNDTEAIRDLVYTVLS
      160      170      180      190      200      210      220

750      777      807      837      867      897      927      957
SFISAIFFITVTLTMYL-MLDIKLTGLVALLLPVIFILVNVYRKSVTVIAKTRSLSDINSKLSIESIGIRIVQAFQQE
15  : | : : | : : | : | : | : : : | : : : | : : : | : : : | : : : | : : : | : : : |
TFVTS-GIYMFGIPTALFLLDVKLAFVCLAIVPIIWLWSVIYRRYASYNQKIRSINSDINAKMNESIQGMTI IQAFRHQ
      240      250      260      270      280      290      300

987      1017      1047      1077      1107      1131      1161      1191
ERLKTEFEEINKEHVYANRSMALDSLFLRPAMSLKLLAYAVLMAYFGFTGVK--GGLTAGLMYAFIQVYVNRFLDPLIE
20  : | | | : | : | : | : | : : : | : : : | : : : | : : : | : : : | : : : | : : : |
KETMREFEELNESHFYFQNRMLNLSMHNLVNIRNLAFVCLIWFGGASLNAAGIVSIGVLYAFVDYLNRLRFQPTIG
      320      330      340      350      360      370      380

1221      1251      1281      1311      1341      1371      1401      1431
VTQNFSTLQTSMSAGRVFDLIDETGFEPQKNTFAFVREGNIEFKNVSFSYDGKKQILDNVFSVKKGETIAFVGATGS
25  : | | : : | | | | : | : : : | : : : | : : : | : : : | : : : | : : : | : : : |
IVNQFSKLELARVSAGRVFELLEKNTEEAGEPAKERAL-GRVEFRDVSFAYQEGEEVLKHISFTAQKGETVALVGHGTGS
      400      410      420      430      440      450      460

1461      1491      1521      1551      1581      1611      1638      1668
GKSSIIIVFMRFYBFQSGQVLLDGKDIRDYSQEQLRKNIGLVLDQDPFLYHGTIKSNIKMYQD-ITDQEVQDAAEFVDADQ
30  | | | : : | : | : | : | : | : : | : : : | : : : | : : : | : : : | : : : | : : : |
GKSSILNLLFRFYDAQKGDVLIDGKSIYNMSRQELRSHMGIVLQDPYLFSGTIGSNVSLDDERMTEEEIKNALRQVGAEF
35  480      490      500      510      520      530      540

1698      1728      1758      1788      1818      1848      1878      1908
FIQKLPDKYDAVSSERGSSFTGQRQLAFARTVASKPKILILDEATANIDSETEQIVQDSLAKMRQGRITTAIAHRLST
40  : : | | : | : | : : : | : : : | : | | | | | : : | : | : : | : : | : : | : : | : : |
LLKKLPKGINEPVIEKGSTLSSGERQLISFARALAFDPAILILDEATAHIDTETEAVIQKALDVVKQGRITTFVIAHRLST
      560      570      580      590      600      610      620

1938      1968      1998      2028      2058      2088      2118      2148
IQDANCIYVLDRGKIIIESGNHESLLDLKGYRMYQLQAGMMEV*KI*TIQKA*SVRFRGWSSYSKPFYFTISV**GQ
45  | : : : | | | : : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : |
IRNADQILVLDKGBIVERGNHEELMALEGOYYQMYELQKGQKHSIA
      640      650      660      670

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There is also homology to SEQ IDs 330, 4634 and 5788.

50 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 52

A DNA sequence (GBSx0051) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 163> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 164>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

55 Possible site: 25

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

60 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0635(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9609> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9610> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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5  >GP:AAA25224 GB:M87483 anthranilate synthase beta subunit
    [Lactococcus lactis]
    Identities = 101/191 (52%), Positives = 133/191 (68%), Gaps = 4/191 (2%)

10 Query: 14  MLLLVNDYDSFTYNLKQYLSVYKEVFIKNDVPNLFLLAESAEIVLSPGPGHPKDAGKM 73
    M+L++DNYDSFTYNL QY+ V +V V+KND +L +AE A+A++ SPGPG P DAGKM
    Sbjct: 1  MILIIDNYDSFTYNLVQYVGVLTDVAVVKNDLDDSLGNMAEKADALIFSPGPGWPADAGKM 60

    Query: 74  VELINQFIGKKPILGICLGHQALAECLGGRNLNLNHNVMHGKQSWVTINDHTSLFKGIDSP 133
    LI QF G+KPILGICLG QA+ E GG+L LA+ VMHGK S V +F + S
15 Sbjct: 61  ETLIQQFAGQKPILGICLGFQAIVEVFGGKLRLAHQVMHGKNSQVRQTSGNLIIFNHLPSK 120

    Query: 134  TVVMRYHSLVVTD---LPENIAVIARSNEDNEIMAFHCPSLKVYAMQFHPESIGSIDGMK 190
    VMRYHS+V+ + LP+ A+ A + +D EIMA ++Y +QFHPESIG++DGM
20 Sbjct: 121  FLVMRYHSIVMDEAVALPD-FAITAVATDDGEIMAIENEKEQIYGLQFHPESIGTLDGMT 179

    Query: 191  MIENFLTILIND 201
    MIENF+ +N+
    Sbjct: 180  MIENFVNQVNE 190

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25 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 165> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 166>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 57

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30 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3183(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
35      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

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      Identities = 104/186 (55%), Positives = 131/186 (69%)

40 Query: 14  MLLLVNDYDSFTYNLKQYLSVYKEVFIKNDVPNLFLLAESAEIVLSPGPGHPKDAGKM 73
    M+LL+DNYDSFTYNL QYLS + E V+ N PNL+ +A+ A A+VLSGPG PK+A +M
    Sbjct: 1  MILIIDNYDSFTYNLAQYLSEFDEITIVLYNQDPNLYDMAKKANALVLSGPGWPKEANQM 60

    Query: 74  VELINQFIGKKPILGICLGHQALAECLGGRNLNLNHNVMHGKQSWVTINDHTSLFKGIDSP 133
    +LI F KPILG+CLGHQA+AE LGG L LA VMHG+QS + SLF+ +
45 Sbjct: 61  PKLIQDFYQTKPILGVCLGHQAIAETLGGTLRLAKRVMHGRQSTIETQGPASLFRSLPQE 120

    Query: 134  TVVMRYHSLVVTDLPENIAVIARSNEDNEIMAFHCPSLKVYAMQFHPESIGSIDGMKMI 193
    VMRYHS+VV LP+ +V AR +D EIMAF +L ++ +QFHPESIG+ DGM MI
50 Sbjct: 121  ITVMRYHSIVVDQLPKGFSVTARDQDEIMAFEHHTLPLFGLQFHPESIGTPDGMTMIA 180

    Query: 194  NFLTLI 199
    NF+ I
    Sbjct: 181  NFIAAI 186

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55 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 53

A DNA sequence (GBSx0052) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 167> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 168>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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5      Possible site: 58

      >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.
      INTEGRAL      Likelihood = -8.17      Transmembrane  117 - 133 ( 108 - 140)
      INTEGRAL      Likelihood = -1.70      Transmembrane  150 - 166 ( 150 - 166)

10     ----- Final Results -----
           bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4270(Affirmative) < succ>
           bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
           bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

15     The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

      >GP:CAB12877 GB:Z99109 similar to biotin biosynthesis [Bacillus subtilis]
      Identities = 70/168 (41%), Positives = 106/168 (62%)

20     Query: 8      YIALMVALLIVLGFIPGIPGLFIPVPIVLQNLGVMLAGALLGSRKGFLLVAIFLLVAIG 67
      +IA+ AL+ VLGF+P + L F PVPI LQ LGVMLAG++L + FL+ +FLLLVA G
      Sbjct: 9      HIAIFTALMAVLGFMPFLFLSFTVPVPI TLQTLGVMLAGSILRPKSAFLSQLVFLLLVAFG 68

      Query: 68     APFLPGGRSGLVTLFGPTAGYLLTYPFAAFFIGLGLEKVKTTKLWVQFLIIWIFGVLLID 127
      AP L PGGR G      FGP+AG+L+ YP A++ I L      +++ + F      +FG++ I
25     Sbjct: 69     APFLPGGRGGFGVFFGPSAGFLIAYPLASWLISLAANRLRKVTVLRLEFFTHIVFGIIFIY 128

      Query: 128    ICGSIVLSFQTSPLPLTKSLFSNLIFIPGDTL KASICLI IYRK FANRLT 175
      + G V +F + L+++ F +L ++PGD +KA++ + K L+
30     Sbjct: 129   LLGIPVQAFIMHIDLSQAAFMSLAYVPGDLIKA AVSAFLA I K I T Q A L S 176

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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 169> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 170>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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      Possible site: 51

35     >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
      INTEGRAL      Likelihood =-10.03      Transmembrane  113 - 129 ( 109 - 139)
      INTEGRAL      Likelihood = -8.97      Transmembrane   55 -  71 (  52 -  76)
      INTEGRAL      Likelihood = -7.54      Transmembrane   10 -  26 (   6 -  38)
      INTEGRAL      Likelihood = -5.79      Transmembrane   86 - 102 (  81 - 105)
40     INTEGRAL      Likelihood = -2.87      Transmembrane   33 -  49 (  28 -  51)
      INTEGRAL      Likelihood = -1.97      Transmembrane  150 - 166 ( 150 - 168)

      ----- Final Results -----
           bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5012(Affirmative) < succ>
45     bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
           bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

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      Identities = 80/168 (47%), Positives = 108/168 (63%), Gaps = 1/168 (0%)

50     Query: 3      TRTTTYIALMVALLIVLGFIPGIPGLFIPVPIVLQNLGVMLAGALLGSRKGFLLVAIFLL 62
      T+   +A+M L+I+LGFIP IPLGFIPVPIVLQNLGVMLAG +LG +KG L+V +F L
      Sbjct: 4      TKELVKVAMMTLLIIILGFIPAIPGLFIPVPIVLQNLGVMLAGLMLGKKGTLSVFLF-L 62

55     Query: 63     LVAIGAPFLPGGRSGLVTLFGPTAGYLLTYPFAAFFIGLGLEKVKTTKLWVQFLIIWIFG 122
      ++ + P G R+ + L GP+AGY++ Y      L      +      + FL + I G
      Sbjct: 63     VIGLFLPVFSGSRTTIPVLMGPSAGYVIAYLLVPIVFSLLYRNWFSKSTPLAFLALLISG 122

60     Query: 123    VLLIDICGSIVLSFQTSPLPLTKSLFSNLIFIPGDTL KASICLI IYRK F
      V+L+D+ G+I LS T + L SL SNL+FIPGDT+KA I II K+
      Sbjct: 123    VVLVDVLGAIWLSAYTGMSLVTSLLSNLVFIPGDTIKAIATIIAVKY 170

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 54

- 5 A DNA sequence (GBSx0053) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 171> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 172>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 17

10 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3914 (Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

15 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

20 Example 55

- A DNA sequence (GBSx0054) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 173> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 174>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 15

25 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1864 (Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

30 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9611> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9612> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

35 >GP:BAB05467 GB:AP001513 biotin synthase [Bacillus halodurans]
Identities = 133/316 (42%), Positives = 201/316 (63%), Gaps = 2/316 (0%)

Query: 17 NYIHLADEILSGKTSISYEQALEILNS-DENWWEIYAAALYLKNQVSRNNIRLNVLSSAK 75
N+I LA E++ GK IS +AL ILNS D+ + A ++ ++LN++++AK

40 Sbjct: 2 NWIQLAQEVIEGKR-ISENEALATILNSPDDELLLLLQGAFTIRQTYYGKKVKLNMIMNAK 60

Query: 76 QGLCAENCGYCSQSKESTADIDKFLLPQNVILKQAIVAHQNGASVFCIAMSGTKPSKRE 135
G C ENCGYCSQS S A ID + ++ + IL+ A AH+ +CI SG P+ R+

45 Sbjct: 61 SGFCPENCGYCSQSSISKAPIDAYPMVNKETILEGAKRAHELVGTYCIVASGRGPTNRD 120

Query: 136 IEQLCQVIEPIKKSLPLEICITAGFLDREQLHQLKQAGIDRINHNLNTPPENYPNIATTH 195
I+ + + + EIK + L+IC G L EQ QLK AG+DR NHN+NT ++ I T+H

Sbjct: 121 IDHVTEAVREIKDITYGLKICACLGILKPEQAEQLKAGVDRYNHNVNNTSARHHDQITTS 180

50 Query: 196 SFKDRCDTLERIHNEIDVCSGFCMGESDEGLITLAFRLKELDPYSIPVNFLAVEGT 255
+++DR +T+E + + I CSG I GM E+ E ++ +AF+L+ELD SIPVNFL A++GT

Sbjct: 181 TYEDRVNTVEVVKHSGISPCSGVIVGMKETKEDVVDMAFQLRELDADSIPVNFLHAIDGT 240

Query: 256 PLGKYNLTPIKCLKIMAMLRVFPFKELRLSAGREVFHFNESLVTLVVDSTFLGNYLT 315
 PL + LTPI CLK++++ R+V P KE+R+S GREV+ ++ + L +S F+G+YLT
 Sbjct: 241 PLQGVHELTPYCLKVLSLFRYVCPTKEIRISGGREVNLSLQPLGLYAANSIFIGDYLT 300

5 Query: 316 EGGRNQHTDIEFLEKL 331
 G+ + D + L+ L
 Sbjct: 301 TAGQEETADHQILKDL 316

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

- 10 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 56

A DNA sequence (GBSx0055) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 175> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 176>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

- 15 Possible site: 24
- >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
- Final Results -----
- 20 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3440 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

- 25 A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9613> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9614> was also identified.

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

30 Example 57

A DNA sequence (GBSx0056) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 177> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 178>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

- Possible site: 15
- 35 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
- Final Results -----
- 40 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1985 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

- 45 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 58

A DNA sequence (GBSx0057) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 179> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 180>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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5      Possible site: 32
      >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
      INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -0.11    Transmembrane    347 - 363 ( 347 - 363)

10     ----- Final Results -----
           bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1044(Affirmative) < succ>
           bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
           bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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15     >GP:CAC11722 GB:AL445064 acetyl-CoA acetyltransferase related
           protein [Thermoplasma acidophilum]
           Identities = 113/388 (29%), Positives = 181/388 (46%), Gaps = 31/388 (7%)

20     Query: 4   RDVYIGFGLRTPIGIKGKFHYR-PELLGAHLNQIKKIESESNIID-----SIICGNTV 57
           RDV+I   RT IG G+ F + P+L GA   IK + E+++D   +I GN +
           Sbjct: 2   RDVFIVAARKRTAIGKFGRSFSKLPQLGGA----AIKAVMDEAHVDPASVEEVIMGNVI 57

           Query: 58   --GTGGNIGRLMTLFSDESYPVQITDMQCASSSSALFFGYLKISTGINEKVLVGGIES 115
           G G N           + +   T+++ CAS   A+   +I+ G + V+ GG+ES
25     Sbjct: 58   QAGNGQNPAQAFAHGGPLPNSVLKYTVNVVCASGMLAVESAAREIALGERDLVIAGGMES 117

           Query: 116  SSLQPMR-----RYAKEDNRNGEYTVAQ-FSPDSYAETVMLE----GAQRVCQKYGFRRE 165
           S P           R+ + + Y +   D +   E   A+R +K+G RE
30     Sbjct: 118  MSNAPFLLPADLRWGPKHLLHKNYKIDDAMLTDLGLLDAFYFEHMGVSAERTSRKFGITRE 177

           Query: 166  MLDKLAFLSHKRALTAKQGGYLEEVILPMEGM-RDQGVRLKKTFFQKLPRLMENSPLLT 224
           M D+ +   S++RA+ A + G + I+ EG+ D+G+RK           +LP + + +LT
           Sbjct: 178  MADEYSVQSYERAIRATESGEFADEIVQFEGLDHDEGIRKTTMEDLARLPAPFDKNGILT 237

35     Query: 225  IGVNCLMHDAFAFLTQSQKT--EFRIHVHIVEVAG-----DPKLSPELVHTATEKLLTE 276
           GN + D + L + S+K E+ + I + G   DP   E   AT KLL +
           Sbjct: 238  AGNSAQLSDGGSALMIASEKAINFYGLKPIARITGYEQASLDPLDFVEAPIPATRKLLLEK 297

           Query: 277  THTKISDYDAIEWNEPFAAIDALFNHYYPEEREKFNIFGGTLAYGHPYACSGIINILHLM 336
           H I YD +E NE F+   + +   + E+FN+ GG +A GHP SG I+ LM
40     Sbjct: 298  QHKSIDYDLVEHNEAFSFIASVIVRNELKIDNERFNVNGGAVAIGHPIGNSGARIIVTLM 357

           Query: 337  QALKYKNKPMGLTAIAGAGGVGMAISIE 364
           ALK+++ GL + GG   +++E
45     Sbjct: 358  NALKHRHLKTGLATLCHGGGGAHTLTLE 385

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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 181> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 182>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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50     Possible site: 22
      >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
      INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -1.28    Transmembrane    345 - 361 ( 345 - 361)

55     ----- Final Results -----
           bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1510(Affirmative) < succ>
           bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
           bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

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60     >GP:BAB03328 GB:AB035449 acetyl-CoA c-acetyltransferase
           [Staphylococcus aureus]
           Identities = 115/382 (30%), Positives = 184/382 (48%), Gaps = 29/382 (7%)

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Query: 1 MTDVYIAAGLRTPIGLVGKQFAKEQPEILGAKLINALQNKYPV---PIDQVICGNTVGTG 57
 M I A RT G G +PE L L + KYP ID V+ GN VG G
 Sbjct: 1 MNQAVIVAARKTAFGKYGGTLKHLEPEQLLKPLFQHFKEKYPEVISKIDDVVLGNVVGNG 60

Query: 58 GNIGRLMTLYSHLGESVSALTVDMQCASAGAALSVGYAKIKAGMASNLLVGGIESSS--- 114
 GNI R L + L +S+ +T+D QC S ++ I+AG + GG+ES+S
 Sbjct: 61 GNIARKALLEAGLKDSIPGVTIDRQCGSGLESVQYACRMIQAGAGKVYIAGGVESTSRAP 120

Query: 115 ---LQPESVYASADWRQGA YKVAQFSPDISPFAMIEGAERVAREHGFTKEYLNHWTLRS 171
 +P SVY +A Y+ A F+P+ P +MI+GAE VA+ + ++E + + RS
 Sbjct: 121 WKIKRPHSVYETA--LEEFYERASFAPEMSDP-SMIQGAENVAKMYDVSRELQDEFAYRS 177

Query: 172 HQKASYCQEQALLADLILDLGSA-----SDQGIRPRLSSKVLSKVPPILGEGHVISAANA 226
 HQ + + ++ IL ++ +D+ ++ + + P++ +G ++AAN+
 Sbjct: 178 HQLTAENVKNGNISQELPITVKGEIFNTDESLKSHIPKDNFGRFKPVI-KGGTVTAANS 236

Query: 227 CLTHDAAFLQLSSQPSAFKL-----IDVVEVAGDPQRSPLMVIKASQVLLKXHLG 278
 C+ +D A L + + A++L D V V D + + A LL+++ L
 Sbjct: 237 CMKNDGAVLLLLIMEKDMAYELGFEHGLLFKDCGVTGVDNFPFGIGPVPALSNLLKRNQLT 296

Query: 279 MADMTAIEWNEAFAVIDGLFETHYDLDLRYNIFGGALAYGHPYGASAAIILHLMRALE 338
 + ++ IE NEAF+ + + NI+GGALA GHPYGAS A ++ L +
 Sbjct: 297 IENIEVIEINEAFSAQVVAQQAALNISNTQLNIWGGALASGHPYGASGAQLVTRLFYMF 356

Query: 339 IKNGRYGIAAIAAAGGQGFVAVL 360
 + IA++ GG G A L
 Sbjct: 357 KET---MIASMGIGGGLGNAAL 375

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 182/362 (50%), Positives = 243/362 (66%), Gaps = 2/362 (0%)

Query: 5 DVYIGFGLRTPIGIKGQFKHYRPELLGAHLLNQIKKIESESNIIDICGNTVGTGGNIG 64
 DVYI GLRTPIG+ GKQF +PE+LGA L+N ++ + ID +ICGNTVGTGGNIG
 Sbjct: 3 DVYIAAGLRTPIGLVGKQFAKEQPEILGAKLINALQN-KYPVPIDQVICGNTVGTGGNIG 61

Query: 65 RLMTLFSYDYESYIPVQTIDMQCASSSSALFFGYLKISTGINEKVLVGGIESSSLQPMRRY 124
 RLMTL+S + T+DMQCAS+ +AL GY KI G+ +LVGGIESSSLQP Y
 Sbjct: 62 RLMTLYSHLGESVSALTVDMQCASAGAALSVGYAKIKAGMASNLLVGGIESSSLQPEVY 121

Query: 125 AKEDNRNGEYTVAQFSPDSYAETVMLEGAQRVCQKYGFRREMLDKLAFLSHKRALTAQ 184
 A D R G Y VAQFSPDS + M+EGA+RV +++GF +E L+ SH++A ++
 Sbjct: 122 ASADWRQGA YKVAQFSPDISPFAMIEGAERVAREHGFTKEYLNHWTLRSHQKASYCQEQ 181

Query: 185 GYLEEVILPMEGMRDQGVV-KLKETFFQKLPRLMENSPLLITIGNVCLMHDAAFLTLQSQ 243
 L ++IL + G DQG+R +L K+P ++ +++ N CL HDAAFL L SQ
 Sbjct: 182 ALLADLILDLGASDQGIRPRLSSKVLSKVPPILGEGHVISAANACLTHDAAFLQLSSQ 241

Query: 244 KTEFRIVHIVEVAGDPKLSPELVHTATEKLLTETHTKISDYDAIEWNEPFAAIDALFNHY 303
 + F+++ +VEVAGDP+ SP +V A++ LL + ++D AIEWNE FA ID LF +
 Sbjct: 242 PSFAKLIDVVEVAGDPQRSPLMVIKASQVLLKXHLGMDMTAIEWNEAFAVIDGLFETH 301

Query: 304 YPEEREKFNIFGGTLAYGHPYACSGIINILHLMQALKYKNKPMGLTAIAGAGGVGMAISIEY 365
 YP+ +++NIFGG LAYGHPY S I ILHLM+AL+ KN G+ AIA AGG G A+ ++Y
 Sbjct: 302 YPDLLDRYNIFGGALAYGHPYGASAAIILHLMRALEIKNGRYGIAAIAAAGGQGFVAVLLKY 363

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 59

A DNA sequence (GBSx0058) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 183> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 184>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 13

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -3.82 Transmembrane 149 - 165 (148 - 165)

5 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.2529(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

10 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:
 >GP:CAB12876 GB:Z99109 similar to long-chain fatty-acid-CoA ligase
 [Bacillus subtilis]
 Identities = 90/382 (23%), Positives = 158/382 (40%), Gaps = 24/382 (6%)

15 Query: 47 ISTHSLLNQLVRFVSKLCQKALPIICKPNLTHNEISRLEKEV--QYAPQLADFGVLSSGT 104
 IS L+ L F +KL P++ N +IS + P+ + +SG+
 Sbjct: 95 ISNADLVVTLAFFKNKLTDSQTPVVLLDNCMA-DISEAADPLPTIDPEHPFYMCGFTSGS 153

20 Query: 105 TADAKLLWRSFTSWSDFFSIQNAFYFSVTSNSKLFITQGFSTGNLNLALSLLLLGGTLVV 164
 T K RS SW + F+ FS++S+ K+ I G + L A+S L LGGT+ +
 Sbjct: 154 TGKPKAFTRSHRSWMESFTCTETDFSISSDDKVLIPGALMSSHFLYGAVSTLFLGGTVCL 213

25 Query: 165 TQKNSVKYQTLWEKTGVTHLYLLPSYLKLVQYSKETALDNKTIITSSQYVSDSLLEGL 224
 +K S + + ++ LY +P+ + + K I + + + ++S + L
 Sbjct: 214 LKKFSPAKAKEWLCRESISVLYTVPTMTDALARIEGFPDSPVKIISSGADWPAES-KKKL 272

30 Query: 225 YRKHPKVSVKIFYGASELNIVSWYDGRDIRDKPQYVGEIVPNVAVRIE----- 273
 P + + FYG SEL++V++ D + KP G NV + I+
 Sbjct: 273 AAAWPHLKLYDFYGTSELSFVTFSSPEDSKRKPHSAGRPFHNVRIBIRNAGGERCQPGEI 332

35 Query: 274 GRIFVKTPYSICG-----LSSEYACAGDYGELID--GKLYLFGRGGDWCNQSGIKLYLPRL 326
 G+IFVK+P G .E+ D +D G LY+ GR G+ ++ +
 Sbjct: 333 GKIFVKSEPMRFSGYVNGSTPDEWMTVDDMGYVDEEGFLYISGRENGMIVYGGLNIFPEEI 392

40 Query: 327 IEKIKTCFYIKDAVAFTKESQSHGQESHCCIVLIENQMQQECLKWLSEHFEEKYGFKHYH 386
 + CP ++ A + G+ + V++ N + W + K +
 Sbjct: 393 ERVLLACPEVESAAVVGIPDEYWGELIA--VAVILGNANARTLKAWCKQKLASYKIPKKWV 450

Query: 387 IVSKIPLMPSGKIDYQQLKRQL 408
 +P SGKI ++K+ L
 Sbjct: 451 FADSLPETSSGKIARSRVKKWL 472

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 185> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 186>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

45 Possible site: 52

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

50 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2487(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

55 Identities = 154/413 (37%), Positives = 235/413 (56%), Gaps = 9/413 (2%)

Query: 1 MLES�KTIIVKTNŠDKKLFĐGD-LQVSŸGEFYNLVR-QĐMASQĐNRKHVISTHSLLNQLVR 58
 ML L+ K +KK D + ++Y E + V +D +D+ ++IS LNQL+
 Sbjct: 1 MLTKLEYWAKQCPNKKAIVADQISLTYQELWQAVLIKDQTIKDSVPYIISHSRVYNQLLS 60

60 Query: 59 FVSKLCQKALPIICKPNLT---HNEISRLEKEVQYAPQLADFGVLSSGTTADAKLLWRSF 115
 F+ L + + PII PN++ +I ++ E+ + ADF VLSSGTT AKL WR
 Sbjct: 61 FLRLGLESGSCPIILHPNISGTFQQQIKHVDGELL---KKADFAVLSSGTTGKAKLFWRR 117

Query: 116 TSWSDFFSIQNAYFSVTSNSKLFIQGDFSFTGNLNLALSLLLLGGTLVVVTQKNSVKYWQT 175
 ++W+ F QN F +T NS LF+ G FSFTGNLNLAL+ L GG LV++QK S+K W +
 Sbjet: 118 STWTRLFDYQNKVFGMTGNSCLFLHGSFSFTGNLNLALAQLWAGGCLVLSQKLSLKTWLS 177

5 Query: 176 LWKGTGVTHLYLLPSYLLKLVQYQSKETALDNKTIITSSQYVSDSLLEGLYRKHPKVSVKI 235
 LW+ V+HLYLPL+YL + Y + + ++TSSQ +S LL Y+K P++ + I
 Sbjet: 178 LWQAKKVSHLYLLPTYLNRLLPYLTKNNMTATHLLTSSQMISQELLRHYYKKFPQLEIVI 237

10 Query: 236 FYGASELNYVSWYDGRDIRDKPQYVGEIVENVAVRIKEGRIFVKTPYSICGLSSEYCAGD 295
 FYGASEL+++W +GR VG+ P+V++ K+ IFV+TPYS+ G+S Y D
 Sbjet: 238 FYGASELSFITWCNGRAAVKINGLVGQPPFDVSISFKDKRIKFVETPYSVEGMSQPYSVSD 297

15 Query: 296 YGELIDGKLYLFGRGGDWCNQSGIKLYLPRLEIKIKTCPYIKDAVAFTKESQSHGQESH 355
 G++ L L GR DW NQ G+K +LP L+E P +K+A A K + +
 Sbjet: 298 LGKMSPAGLILEGRQDDWVNQRGVKCHLPSLVELAHQAPNVKEAHAL-KIGKGENETLIL 356

20 Query: 356 CIVLIENQMQQECLKWLSEHFEKKYGFKHVHIVSKIPLMPSGKIDYQQLKRQL 408
 +VL + +L+ + K+Y ++ +PL +GKI+ + L ++
 Sbjet: 357 VLVLTKKDCLAPIKDFLALYLNQGLPKYLYVIDCLPLKDNKINREVLNKI 409

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 60

A DNA sequence (GBSx0059) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 187> which encodes the amino acid
 25 sequence <SEQ ID 188>. This protein is predicted to be endonuclease III (pdg). Analysis of this protein
 sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 46

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

30 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.00 Transmembrane 25 - 41 (25 - 41)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1001(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 35 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:BA05417 GB:AP001512 endonuclease III (DNA repair) [Bacillus halodurans]
 Identities = 95/202 (47%), Positives = 134/202 (66%)

40 Query: 1 MLSKAKSRYIIREIILKLPDAKPSLDFTNVFELLVAVMLSAQTDAAVNKVTPALFERFP 60
 ML+K +++ + I ++PDA+ L +N FELL+AV+LSAQ TDA VNKVTP LF ++
 Sbjet: 1 MLTKKQTQEALAVIADMPDAECETHSNPFELLIHAVLSAQCTDALVNKVTPRLFAKYK 60

45 Query: 61 NPLVLAQADPKETIEPYISKIGLYRNKARFLNQCAKQLIEHFDGKVPRTQELSLAGVGR 120
 P +E+E I IGLYRNKA+ + + + L+E + G+VP+ R EL LAGVGR
 Sbjet: 61 TPEDYIAVPLEELEQDIRSIGLYRNKAKNIKKLCQSLLEQYGGVEVPQDRDELVKLAGVGR 120

50 Query: 121 KTANVMSVGFIPAFVDTHVTRICKHHQICKQSASPLEIEKRVMEVLPPEEWLAHQ 180
 KTANVV SV FG+PA AVDTHV R+ K IC+ + ++E+ +M+ +P +EW +H
 Sbjet: 121 KTANVVASVAFGVPAIAVDTHVERVSKRLGICRWKDNVTQVEQTLMKKIPMDEWSISHHR 180

Query: 181 MIYFGRAICHKPNPKCDQYPQL 202
 +I+FGR C +NP+CD P L
 55 Sbjet: 181 LIFFGRYHCKAQNPQCDICPLL 202

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 189> which encodes the amino acid
 sequence <SEQ ID 190>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 44

>>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.

----- Final Results -----

5 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.3000(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

10 Identities = 91/199 (45%), Positives = 133/199 (66%)

Query: 2 LSKAKSRYIIIREIIKLFPPDAKPSLDFTNVFELLVAVMLSAQTDDAAVNKVTPALFERFPN 61
 + KA+ ++ I ++FP+AK LD+ F+LL+AV+LSAQTDD AVNKVTP L++ +P
 Sbjct: 3 IGKARLAKVLTIIIGQMFPEAKGELDWETPFQLLIAVILSAQTDDKAVNKVTPGLWQSYPE 62

15 Query: 62 PLVLAQADPKIEPYISKIGLYRNKARFLNQCAKQLIEHFDGKVPTRQGELESLAGVGRK 121
 LA A+ ++E + IGLY+NKA+ + + A+ + + F G+VP+T +ELES L GVGRK
 Sbjct: 63 IEDLAFAE LSDVENALRTIGLYKNKAKNIIKTAQAIRDDFKGQVPKTHKELES L PGVGRK 122

20 Query: 122 TANVMSVGFGIPAFVDTHVTRICKHHQICKQSASPLEIEKRVMEVLPPEEWLAHQSM 181
 TANVV++ +G+EA AVDTHV R+ K I A +IE +M +P ++W+ H +
 Sbjct: 123 TANVLAEVYGVPAIAVDTHVARVSKRLNISSPDADVQKIEADLMAKIPKDWIITHRL 182

25 Query: 182 IYFGRAICHKPNPKCDQYP 200
 I+FCR C K PKC+ P
 Sbjct: 183 IFFGRYHCLAKPKCEICP 201

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

30 Example 61

A DNA sequence (GBSx0060) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 191> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 192>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 51

35 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

40 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2264(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:BAA96473 GB:AB036428 hypothetical 8.3 kDa protein [Streptococcus mutans]
 Identities = 53/67 (79%), Positives = 62/67 (92%)

45 Query: 1 MKVLFVDVQNLLKKFGIYVYIGKRLYDIEVMKIELQRLYDNGLISRDDYLKAEILLRREHR 60
 MK L+DVQ LLK+FGI+VY+GKRLYDIE+MKIEL+RLYDNGLIS+ DYL AEILLRREHR
 Sbjct: 1 MKTLYDVQRLKQFGIFVYLGKRLYDIEMMKIELERLYDNGLISKSDYLHAEILLRREHR 60

50 Query: 61 LELEKEN 67
 +E E+EN
 Sbjct: 61 IEKEREN 67

55 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 193> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 194>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 57

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1962(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 53/66 (80%), Positives = 60/66 (90%)

Query: 1 MKVLFQVQNLKKFGIYVYIGKRLYDIEVMKIELQRLYDNGLISRDDYLKAEILRREHR 60
 10 MK L+DVQ LLK FGI+VY+GKRLYDIE+MKIELQRLYD+GL+ + DYL AELILRREHR
 Sbjct: 7 MKTLYDVQQLKKNFGIFVYLGKRLYDIEMMKIELQRLYDSGLLDKRDYLNAEILRREHR 66
 Query: 61 LELEKE 66
 LELEKE
 15 Sbjct: 67 LELEKE 72

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 62

20 A DNA sequence (GBSx0061) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 195> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 196>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 31

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 25 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.06 Transmembrane 133 - 149 (133 - 150)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1022(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 30 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:BA05144 GB:AP001512 glucose kinase [Bacillus halodurans]
 Identities = 145/315 (46%), Positives = 209/315 (66%), Gaps = 2/315 (0%)
 35 Query: 6 LGIDLGGTTIKFGILTLEGEVQEKWAIETNTLENGRHIVSDIVESLKHRLSLYGLTKDDF 65
 +G+D+GGTTIK LT GE+ +KW I TN + G I ++I ++L RLS + +K D
 Sbjct: 7 VGVVDVGGTTIKMAFLTTAGEIVDKWEIPTNKQDGGALITTNIAADLDKRLSGHHKSKSDL 66
 40 Query: 66 LGIGMGSPGAVDRTSKITVTGAFNLNWADTQEVGSVIEKEVGIPFFIDNDANVAALGERWV 125
 +GIG+G+EG ++ + + A N+ W D + +E+E +P +DNDAN+AALGE W
 Sbjct: 67 IGIGLGAPGFIEMDTGFIYHAVNIGWRDFP-LKDKLEEEETKLPVIVDNDANIAALGEMWK 125
 45 Query: 126 GAGANNPDVVFVTLGTGVGGGVIADGNLIHGVAGAGGEIGHMIVDPENGFTCTCGNKGCL 185
 GAG +++ +TLGTGVGGG++A+GN++HGV G GEIGH+ V PE G C CG GCL
 Sbjct: 126 GAGDGAKNMLLITLTGTGVGGGIVANGNLIHGVNGMAGEIGHITVIPEGGAPCNCCKTGCL 185
 Query: 186 ETVASATGVVRVARQLAEQYEGSSAIAKAIDNGDVTSTKIDIFIAAEDGDKFANSVVERVS 245
 ETVASATG+ R+A + +++ S + D +T+KD+F AA+ D FA SVV+ ++
 50 Sbjct: 186 ETVASATGIARIATEGVTEHK-ESQLALDYDKHGVLTAQDVFSAADASDAFALSVDVHIA 244
 Query: 246 RYLGLAAANISNILNPDSVIGGGVSAAGEFLRSRVEKYFVTFAPQVKKSTKIKIAELG 305
 YLG A AN++N LNP+ +VIGGGVS AG+ L ++++F +A P+V + +IA LG
 55 Sbjct: 245 YYLGFAIANLANALNPEKIVIGGGVSKAGDTLLKPIKQHFAYALPRVADGAEFRIATLG 304
 Query: 306 NDAGIIGAASIANQQ 320
 NDAG+IG L QQ
 Sbjct: 305 NDAGVIGGGWLKQQ 319

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 197> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 198>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 23

5 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

10 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1060 (Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 270/319 (84%), Positives = 292/319 (90%)

15 Query: 1 MSKKLLGIDLGTTIKFGILTLEGEVQEKWAIETNTLENGRHIVSDIVESLKHRLSLYGL 60
MS+KLLGIDLGTTIKFGILT GEVQEKWAIETN LE G+HIV DI+ S+KHRL LYGL
Sbjct: 1 MSQKLLGIDLGTTIKFGILTAAGEVQEKWAIETNILEGGKHIVPDIASIKHRLDLYGL 60

20 Query: 61 TKDDFLGIGMGSPGAVDRSTKTVTGAFNLNWADTQEVGSVIEKEVGIPFFIDNDANVAAL 120
+ DF+GIGMGSPGAVDR + TVTGAFNLNW +TQEVGSV+EKE+GIPF IDNDANVAAL
Sbjct: 61 SSADFVGIGMGSPGAVDRDTNTVTGAFNLNWKETQEVGSVVEKELGIPFAIDNDANVAAL 120

25 Query: 121 GERWVGAGANNPDVVFVTLGTGVGGVIADGNLIHGVAGAGGEIGHMIVDPENGFTCTCG 180
GERWVGAG NNPVVF+TLGTGVGGG+IADGNLIHGVAGAGGEIGHMIV+PENGF CTG
Sbjct: 121 GERWVGAGENNPVVFMTLGTGVGGGIADGNLIHGVAGAGGEIGHMIVEPENGFCTCG 180

30 Query: 181 NKGCLTASATGVVRVARQLAEQYEGSSAIKAAIDNGDTVTSKDIFIAEDGDKFANSV 240
+ GCLTASATGVV+VAR LAE YEG SAIKAAIDNG+ VTSKDIF+AAE GD FA+SV
Sbjct: 181 SHGCLTASATGVVKVARLLAEAYEGDSAIAKAAIDNGEGVTSKDIFMAAEAGDSFADSV 240

35 Query: 241 VERVSRYLGLAAANISNINLPDSVVIGGGVSAAGEFLRSRVEKYFVTFAPFQVKSTKIK 300
VE+V YLGLA+ANISNINLPDSVVIGGGVSAAGEFLRSR+EKYFVTF FPQV+ STKIK
Sbjct: 241 VEKGYLYLGLASANISNINLPDSVVIGGGVSAAGEFLRSRIEKYFVTFTFPQVRYSTKIK 300

Query: 301 IAELGNDAGIIGAASLANQ 319
IAELGNDAGIIGAASLA Q
Sbjct: 301 IAELGNDAGIIGAASLARQ 319

40 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 63

A DNA sequence (GBSx0062) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 199> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 200>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 19

45 >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.

----- Final Results -----

50 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.3000 (Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

55 >GP:CAB14385 GB:Z99116 similar to hypothetical proteins [Bacillus subtilis]
Identities = 51/124 (41%), Positives = 71/124 (57%), Gaps = 1/124 (0%)

Query: 3 MSVILIIIVILLAFVWASWNYWVRRAAKFLDNESFQKEMSRGQLIDIREAGAFHRKHIL 62
MS +++++I AF+ + +Y +R K L E F+ + QLID+RE F HIL
Sbjct: 1 MSNMIVLIIFPAFIYMIASYVYQQRIMKTLTEEEFRAGYRKQLIDVREPNEFEGGHIL 60

Query: 63 GARNIPASQFKVALSALRKDKPVLLYDASRGQSIPRIVLLLRKEGFNQLYVLKDGFNWWT 122
 GARNIP SQ K + +R DKPV LY + +S R LRK G ++Y LK GF W
 Sbjet: 61 GARNIPLSQLKQRKNEIRTDKPVLYLCQNSVRS-GRAAQTLRKNGCTEINYLNKGGFKKWG 119

Query: 123 GRVK 126

G++K

Sbjet: 120 GKI K 123

- 10 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 201> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 202>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 30
 >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -4.41 Transmembrane 4 - 20 (1 - 22)
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.2763(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

>GP:BAB06532 GB:AP001516 unknown conserved protein [Bacillus halodurans]
 Identities = 46/120 (38%), Positives = 64/120 (53%)

Query: 8 LWLLLVGIVGYTWNYSFRKMAKQVDNETFKDVMRQQLIDLREPAAFRTKHILGARNF 67
 +WL+L+ ++ Y + K K + E F R+ QLID+REP + + HILGARN
 Sbjet: 5 VWLVLALLLVYVLFKRLYTPKYLKTLTQEEFIQGYRKAQLIDVREPREDYSGHILGARNI 64

Query: 68 PAQQFDAAIKGLRKDKPVLIIYENMRPQYRVPVAVKKLKKAGFEDVYVLKDGIDYWDGKVKQ 127
 P Q +K +R D+PV +Y + R A KK G EDV LK G W GK+K+
 Sbjet: 65 PLSQLKQRLKEVRTDQPVLYCQSGARSRQAAAILKKKHGVEDVNHLKGGFRKWTGKIKK 124

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 63/126 (50%), Positives = 85/126 (67%)
 Query: 1 MDMSVILIIIVILLAFVAVASWNYWRVRAAKFLDNESFQKEMSRGQLIDIREAGAFHRKH 60
 M +++ ++L+ V + +WNY+ R+ AK +DNE+F+ M +GQLID+RE AF KH
 Sbjet: 1 MSPITLILWLLLVGIVGYTWNYSFRKMAKQVDNETFKDVMRQQLIDLREPAAFRTKH 60
 Query: 61 ILGARNIPASQFKVALSALRKDKPVLLYDASRGQSIPRIVLLLRKEGFNQLYVLKDGFNW 120
 ILGARN PA QF A+ LRKDKPVL+Y+ R Q V L+K GF +YVLKDG +Y
 Sbjet: 61 ILGARNFPAAQQFDAAIKGLRKDKPVLIIYENMRPQYRVPVAVKKLKKAGFEDVYVLKDGIDY 120
 Query: 121 WTGRVK 126
 W G+VK
 Sbjet: 121 WDGKVK 126

A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8483> and protein <SEQ ID 8484> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Lipop: Possible site: -1 Crend: 1
 McG: Discrim Score: 17.55
 GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): 3.36
 Possible site: 17
 >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.
 ALOM program count: 0 value: 8.86 threshold: 0.0
 PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 8.86 99
 modified ALOM score: -2.27
 *** Reasoning Step: 3
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.3000(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

40.4/56.5% over 122aa
 5 Bacillus subtilis
 EGAD|45852| hypothetical 14.6 kd protein in gcvt-spoiiiaa intergenic region Insert characterized
 SP|P54510|YQHL_BACSU HYPOTHETICAL 14.6 KDA PROTEIN IN GCVT-SPOIIIAA INTERGENIC REGION.
 Insert characterized
 10 GP|1303893|dbj|BAA12549.1||D84432 YqhL Insert characterized
 GP|2634888|emb|CAB14385.1||Z99116 similar to hypothetical proteins Insert characterized
 PIR|C69959|C69959 glpE protein homolog yqhL - Insert characterized

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 15 EGAD|45852|BS2449(1 - 123 of 126) hypothetical 14.6 kd protein in gcvt-spoiiiaa intergenic region {Bacillus subtilis}SP|P54510|YQHL_
 BACSU HYPOTHETICAL 14.6 KDA PROTEIN IN GCVT-SPOIIIAA INTERGENIC
 REGION.GP|1303893|dbj|BAA12549.1||D84432 YqhL {Bacillus subtilis}GP|
 20 2634888|emb|CAB14385.1||Z99116 similar to hypothetical proteins {Bacillus
 subtilis}|PIR|C69959|C69959 glpE protein homolog yqhL - Bac
 illus subtilis
 %Match = 13.3
 %Identity = 40.3 %Similarity = 56.5
 Matches = 50 Mismatches = 53 Conservative Sub.s = 20

25 108 138 168 198 228 258 288 318
 NISNINLPDSVVIGWRCLSSR*IFT*SR*EILCHICFPTS*KVN*N*DC*TR**CWYYWCSKLSQSTSKLRR*GMDMSVI
 || :
 MSNM

30 348 378 408 438 468 498 528 558
 LIIVILLAFVWASWNYWRRAAKFLDNESFQKEMSRGQLIDIREAGAFHRKHILGARNIPASQFKVALSALRKDKPVL
 ::::|: ||: : :| :| || | |: : |||:| | ||||| | | : : | |||
 35 IVLIIFPAFIYMIASVYVYQQRIMKTLTEEEFRAGYRKAQLIDVREPNEFEGGHILGARNIPLSQLKQKNEIRTDKPVY
 20 30 40 50 60 70 80

588 618 648 678 708 738 768 798
 LYDASRGQSIPRIVLLLRKEGFNQLYVLKDFNYWTGRVK*YTKERVITINSLHFL*K*IKLKKVENKWHK**NDEKFSY
 || | ||| | :| || | | :| :|
 40 LY-CQNSVRSGRAAQTLRKNGCTEITYNLKGGFKKGGKIKAKK
 100 110 120

SEQ ID 8484 (GBS13) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell
 extract is shown in Figure 3 (lane 4; MW 16kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product.
 45 SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 9 (lane 2; MW 40.5kDa).

The GST-fusion protein was purified as shown in Figure 190, lane 5.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for
 vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 64

50 A DNA sequence (GBSx0063) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 203> which encodes the amino acid
 sequence <SEQ ID 204>. This protein is predicted to be regulatory protein TypA (typA). Analysis of this
 protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 36

55 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1738 (Affirmative) < succ>

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bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

5 >GP:CAB13350 GB:Z99111 similar to GTP-binding elongation factor
 [Bacillus subtilis]
 Identities = 455/609 (74%), Positives = 534/609 (86%), Gaps = 2/609 (0%)

10 Query: 4 LRTDIRNVAIIAHVDHGKTTLVDELLKQSHTLDERKELEERAMDSNDIEKERGITILAKN 63
 LR D+RN+AIIAHVDHGKTTLVLD+LL Q+ T +++ ERAMDSND+E+ERGITILAKN
 Sbjct: 3 LRNDLRNIAIIAHVDHGKTTLVLDQLHQAGTFRANEQVAERAMDSNDLERERGITILAKN 62

15 Query: 64 TAVAYNDVRINIMDTPGHADFGGEEVERIMKMVDGVVLVVDAYEGTMPQTRFVLKKALEQN 123
 TA+ Y D RINI+DTPGHADFGGEEVERIMKMVDGVVLVVDAYEG MPQTRFVLKKALEQN
 Sbjct: 63 TAINYKDTRINILDTPGHADFGGEEVERIMKMVDGVVLVVDAYEGCMPQTRFVLKKALEQN 122

20 Query: 124 LIPIVVVNKIDKPSARPSEVVDEVLELFIELGADDDQLDFPVVYASAINGTSSMSDDPSD 183
 L P+VVVNKID+ ARP EV+DEVL+LFIEL A+++QL+FPVVYASAINGT+S+ DP
 Sbjct: 123 LNPVVVNKIDRDFARPEEVIDEVLDFIELDANEQLEFPVVYASAINGTASL--DPKQ 180

25 Query: 184 QEKTMAPIFDTTIIDHIPAPVDNSEEPLOFQVSLLDYNDVGRIGIGRVFRGT+KVGQV 243
 Q++ M +++TII H+PAPVDN+EEPLQFQV+LLDYND+VGRIGIGRVFRGT+KVG QV+
 Sbjct: 181 QDENMEALYETIIKHVPAPVDNAEEPLQFQVALLDYNDYVGRIGIGRVFRGMTKVGQV 240

30 Query: 244 LSKLDGTTKNFRVTKLFGFFGLERKEIQEAKAGDLIAVSGMEDIFVGETVTPPTDAIEPLP 303
 L KLDGT K+FRVTK+FGF GL+R EI+EAKAGDL+AVSGMEDI VGETV P D +PLP
 Sbjct: 241 LMKLDGTAKSFRVTKIFGFQGLKRVEIEEAKAGDLVAVSGMEDINVGETVCPVDHQPDP 300

35 Query: 304 VLRIDEPTLQMTFLVNNSPFAGREGKWITSRKVEERLLAELQTDVSLRVDPTDSPDKWTV 363
 VLRIDEPTLQMTF+VNNSPFAGREGK++T+RK+EEERL ++LQTDVSLRV+PT SPD W V
 Sbjct: 301 VLRIDEPTLQMTFVVNNSPFAGREGKYVTARKIEERLQSQLQTDVSLRVEPTASPDWVV 360

40 Query: 364 SGRGELHLSILIEIETMRREGYELQVSRPEVILKEIDGVQCEFFERVQIDTPPEYQGAIQS 423
 SGRGELHLSILIE MRREGYELQVS+PEVILKEIDGV+CEP ERVQID PEE+ G++++S
 Sbjct: 361 SGRGELHLSILIENMRREGYELQVSKPEVILKEIDGVRCEPVERVQIDVPEEHTGSMVES 420

45 Query: 424 LSERKGDMLDMQVGNQTRLIFLIPARGLIGYSTEFLSMTRGYGIMNHTFDQYLPVVQG 483
 + RKG+M+DM GNGQ RLIF +P+RGLIGYSTEFLS+TRG+GI+NHTFD Y P+ G
 Sbjct: 421 MGARKGEMVDMINNGNGQVRLIFTVPSRGLIGYSTEFLSLTRGFGILNHTFDSYQPMQAG 480

50 Query: 484 EIGGRHRGALVSIENGKATTYSIMRIERGRTIFVNPGEVYEGMIVGENSRDNDLGVNIT 543
 ++GGR +G LVS+ENGKAT+Y I IE+RG IFV PG EVYEGMIVGE++RDNDL VN++
 Sbjct: 481 QVGGRRQGVLSVMENGKATSYGIQGIEDRGVIFVEPGTEVYEGMIVGEHNRDNDLVNVS 540

55 Query: 544 TAKQMTNVRSAKQDTAVIKTPRIITLESLEFLADDEYMEVTPESIRLRKQILNKAARD 603
 KQ TNVRSATKDQT IK RI++LEESLE+L +DEY EVTPEISIRLRK+ILNK R+
 Sbjct: 541 KMKQQTNVRSAKQDTTIIKARIMLESLEYLENEDEYCEVTPESIRLRKILNKNERE 600

60 Query: 604 KANKKKKSA 612
 KA KKKK+A
 Sbjct: 601 KAAKKKKTA 609

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 205> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 206>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

55 Possible site: 36
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

60 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1738 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 594/613 (96%), Positives = 607/613 (98%)

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Query: 1  MTNLRDTRNVAIIAHVDHGKTTLVDELLKQSHTLDERKELEERAMDSNDIEKERGITIL 60
5  Sbjct: 1  MTNLRDTRNVAIIAHVDHGKTTLVDELLKQSHTLDERKELQERAMDSNDLEKERGITIL 60

Query: 61  AKNTAVAYNDVRINIMDTPGHADFGGEVERIMKMVDGVVLVVDAEYGTMPQTRFVLKKAL 120
10 Sbjct: 61  AKNTAVAYNDVRINIMDTPGHADFGGEVERIMKMVDGVVLVVDAEYGTMPQTRFVLKKAL 120

Query: 121 EQNLIPIVVVNKIDKPSARPSEVVDVLELFIELGADDQDLDFPVVYASAINGTSSMSDD 180
Sbjct: 121 EQNLIPIVVVNKIDKPSARPAEVVDVLELFIELGADD+QL+FPVVYASAINGTSS+SDD 180

Query: 181 PSDQEKTMAPIFDTIIDHIFAPVDNSEEPLOFQVSLLDYNDVFVGRIGRIGRVFRGTVKVGD 240
15 Sbjct: 181 PADQEHMTAPIFDTIIDHIFAPVDNSEEPLOFQVSLLDYNDVFVGRIGRIGRVFRGTVKVGD 240

Query: 241 QVTLSKLDGTTKNFRVTKLFGFFGLERKEIQEAKAGDLIAVSGMEDIFVGETVTPDTAIE 300
20 Sbjct: 241 QVTLSKLDGTTKNFRVTKLFGFFGLERKEIQEAKAGDLIAVSGMEDIFVGETITPTDCVE 300

Query: 301 PLPVLRIDEPTLQMTFLVNNSPFAGREGKWITSRKVEERLLAELQTDVSLRVDPTDSPDK 360
25 Sbjct: 301 ALPILRIDEPTLQMTFLVNNSPFAGREGKWITSRKVEERLLAELQTDVSLRVDPTDSPDK 360

Query: 361 WTVSGRGELHLSILIETMRREGYELQVSRPEVIIKEIDGVQCEPFEVQIDTPEEYQGAI 420
30 Sbjct: 361 WTVSGRGELHLSILIETMRREGYELQVSRPEVIIKEIDGVQCEPFEVQIDTPEEYQGAI 420

Query: 421 IQSLSERKGDMLDMQVGNQGQTRLIFLIPARGLIGYSTEFLSMTRGYGIMNHTFDQYLPV 480
Sbjct: 421 IQSLSERKGDMLDMQVGNQGQTRLIFLIPARGLIGYSTEFLSMTRGYGIMNHTFDQYLPV 480

Query: 481 VQGEIGGRHGRGALVSIENGKATTYSIMRIEERGTFVNPGEVYEGMIVGENSRDNDLGV 540
35 Sbjct: 481 VQGEIGGRHGRGALVSIENGKATTYSIMRIEERGTFVNPGEVYEGMIVGENSRDNDLGV 540

Query: 541 NITTAKQMTNVRSATKDQTAVIKTPRILTLLESLEFLADDEYMEVTPESIRLRKQILNKA 600
40 Sbjct: 541 NITTAKQMTNVRSATKDQTAVIKTPRILTLLESLEFL DDEYMEVTPESIRLRKQILNKA 600

Query: 601 ARDKANKKKKSAE 613
45 Sbjct: 601 ARDKANKKKKSAE 613

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 65

50 A DNA sequence (GBSx0065) was identified in *S. agalactiae* <SEQ ID 207> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 208>. This protein is predicted to be D-glutamic acid adding enzyme MurD (murD). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

RGD motif 441-443

55 Possible site: 29

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

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60      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9615> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9616> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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5  >GF:AAC95449 GB:AF068902 D-glutamic acid enzyme MurD [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
    Identities = 341/449 (75%), Positives = 394/449 (86%)

    Query: 5  MKTITTFENKKVLVLGLARSGEAAARLLAKLGAIVTVNDGKPFDENPTAQSLLEEGIKVV 64
              MK I  F+NKKVLVLGLA+SGE+AAARLL KLGAIVTVNDGKPF++NP AQ LLEEGIKV+
    Sbjct: 1  MKVIDQFKNKKVLVLGLAKSGESAARLLDKLGAIVTVNDGKPFEDNPAAQCLLEEGIKVI 60

10  Query: 65  CGSHPLELLDEDFCYMIKNPGIPYNNPMVKKALEKQIPVLTEVELAYLVSESQSLIGITGS 124
              G HPLELLDE+F M+KNPGIPY+NPM++KAL K IPVLTEVELAYL+SE+ +IGITGS
    Sbjct: 61  TGGHPLELLDEEFALMVKNPGIPYSNPMIEKALAGIPVLTEVELAYLISEAPIIGITGS 120

15  Query: 125 NGKTTTTTMIAEVLNAGGQRGLLAGNIGFPASEVVQAANDKDTLVMELSSSFQLMGVKEFR 184
              NGKTTTTTMI EVL A GQ GLL+GNIG+PAS+V Q A DK+TLVMELSSSFQLMGV+EF
    Sbjct: 121 NGKTTTTTMI GEEVLTAAGQHLLSGNIGYPASQVAQIATDKNTLVMELSSSFQLMGVQEFH 180

20  Query: 185 PHIAVITNLMPTHLDYHGSFEDYVAAKWNINQMSSSDFVLNFNQGISKELAKTTKATI 244
              P IAVITNLMPTH+DYHG FE+YVAAKWNINQ+M+++DFVLNFNQ + K+LA T+AT+
    Sbjct: 181 PEIAVITNLMPTHIDYHGLFEEYVAAKWNINQKMTAADFLVLNFNQDLVKDLASKTEATV 240

    Query: 245 VPFSTTEKVDGAYVQDKQLFYKGENIMSVDDIGVPGSHNVENALATIAVAKLAGISNQVI 304
              VPFST EKVDGAY++D QL+++GE +M+ ++IGVPGSHNVENALATIAVAKL G+ NQ I
25  Sbjct: 241 VPFSTLEKVDGAYLEDGQLYFRGEVVMANEIGVPGSHNVENALATIAVAKLRGVDNQTI 300

    Query: 305 RETLSNFGGVKHLRLQSLGKVHGISFYNDKSTNILATQKALSGFDNTKVILIAGGLDRGN 364
              +ETLS FGGVKHLRQ + + G+ FYNDKSTNILATQKALSGFDN+KV+LIAGGLDRGN
    Sbjct: 301 KETLSAFGGVKHLRLQFVDDIKGVKFYNDKSTNILATQKALSGFDNSKVVLIAAGGLDRGN 360

30  Query: 365 EFDELIPDITGLKHMVVLGESASRVKRAAQKAGVTYSDALDVRDAVHKAYEVAQQGDVIL 424
              EFDEL+PDITGLK MV+LG+SA RVKRAA KAGV Y +A D+ DA KAYE+A QGDV+L
    Sbjct: 361 EFDELVPDITGLKHMVILGQSAERVKRAADKAGVAYVEATDIADATRKAYELATQGDVVIL 420

35  Query: 425 LSPANASWDMYKNFEVRGDEFIDTFESLR 453
              LSPANASWDMY NFEVRGD FIDT L+
    Sbjct: 421 LSPANASWDMYANFEVRGDLFIDTVAELEK 449
  
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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 209> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 210>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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    Possible site: 25
    >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.

    ----- Final Results -----
45  bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.3000(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

    RGD motif: 436-438
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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

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    Identities = 329/451 (72%), Positives = 397/451 (87%)

    Query: 5  MKTITTFENKKVLVLGLARSGEAAARLLAKLGAIVTVNDGKPFDENPTAQSLLEEGIKVV 64
              MK I+ F+NKK+L+LGLA+SGEAAA+LL KLGA+VTVND KPF+NP AQ+LLEEGIKV+
55  Sbjct: 1  MKVISNFGQKKILILGLAKSGEAAAKLLTKLGA+VTVND SKPF+NPAAQALLEEGIKVI 60

    Query: 65  CGSHPLELLDEDFCYMIKNPGIPYNNPMVKKALEKQIPVLTEVELAYLVSESQSLIGITGS 124
              CGSHP+ELLDE+F YM+KNPGIPY+NPMVK+AL K+IP+LTEVELAY VSE+ +IGITGS
60  Sbjct: 61  CGSHPVELLDENFEYVMKNPGIPYDNPVMVKRALAKEIPILTEVELAYFVSEAPIIGITGS 120

    Query: 125 NGKTTTTTMIAEVLNAGGQRGLLAGNIGFPASEVVQAANDKDTLVMELSSSFQLMGVKEFR 184
  
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                    NGKTTTTTMI+VLNAGGQ LL+GNIG+PAS+VVO A DTLVMELSSSFQL+GV FR
Sbjct: 121 NGKTTTTTMIADVLNAGGQSALLSGNIGYPASKVVQKAIAGDTLVMELSSSFQLVGVNAFR 180

5  Query: 185 PHIAVITNLMPTHLDDYHGSFEDYVAAKWNINQMSSDFLVLFNFNQGISKELAKITTKATI 244
    PHIAVITNLMPTHLDDYHGSFEDYVAAKW IQ QM+ SD+L+LN NQ IS LAKITTKAT+
Sbjct: 181 PHIAVITNLMPTHLDDYHGSFEDYVAAKWMIQMQTESDYLIILNANQEISATLAKITTKATV 240

    Query: 245 VPFSTTEKVDGAYVQDKQLFYKGENIMSVDDIGVPGSHNVENALATI+AVAKLAGISNQVI 304
    +PFST + VDGAY++D L++K + I++ D+GVPGSHN+ENALATI+AVAKL+GI++ +I
10 Sbjct: 241 IPFSTQKVVDGAYLKDGIYFKEQAI+ATDLGVPGSHN+ENALATI+AVAKLSGIADDII 300

    Query: 305 RETLSNFGGVKHLQSLGKVHGISFYNDKSTN+ILATQKALSGFDNTKVILIAGGLDRGN 364
    + LS+FGGVKHLQ +G++ I+FYNDKSTN+ILATQKALSGFDN+++ILIAGGLDRGN
Sbjct: 301 AQCLS+HFGGVKHLQRVGQIKDITFYNDKSTN+ILATQKALSGFDNSRLILIAGGLDRGN 360

15 Query: 365 EFDELIPDITGLKHMVVLGESASRVKRAAQKAGVTYSDALDVRDAVHKAYEVAQQGDVIL 424
    EFD+L+PD+ GLK M++LGESA R+KRAA KA V+Y +A +V +A A+++AQ GD IL
Sbjct: 361 EFDDLVPDLLGLKQMIILGESAERMKRAANKAEVSYLEARNVARATELAFKLAQTGDTIL 420

20 Query: 425 LSPANASWDMYKNFEVRGDEFIDTFESLRGE 455
    LSPANASWDMY NFEVRGDEF+ TF+ LRG+
Sbjct: 421 LSPANASWDMYPNFEVRGDEF+LATFDCLRGD 451

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SEQ ID 208 (GBS305) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 51 (lane 11; MW 53.7kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 56 (lane 3; MW 79kDa).

The GBS305-GST fusion product was purified (Figure 207, lane 8) and used to immunise mice. The resulting antiserum was used for FACS (Figure 270), which confirmed that the protein is immunoaccessible on GBS bacteria.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 66

A DNA sequence (GBSx0066) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 211> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 212>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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35  RGD motif 285-287

    Possible site: 60

    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
40  INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -1.65    Transmembrane    74 - 90 ( 73 - 93)

    ----- Final Results -----
        bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1659(Affirmative) < succ>
        bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
45  bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 213> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 214>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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50  Possible site: 37

    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -1.33    Transmembrane    81 - 97 ( 80 - 100)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -0.16    Transmembrane    272 - 288 ( 271 - 288)

55  ----- Final Results -----
        bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1532(Affirmative) < succ>

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bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related sequence was also identified in GAS <SEQ ID 9141> which encodes the amino acid sequence
 5 <SEQ ID 9142>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 37

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

10 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -1.33 Transmembrane 74 - 90
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.16 Transmembrane 265 - 281

----- Final Results -----

15 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1532(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

RGD motif: 286-288

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

20 Identities = 249/358 (69%), Positives = 293/358 (81%), Gaps = 1/358 (0%)

Query: 1 MGKKIVFTGGGTVGHVTLNLILIPKFIKDGWEVHYIGDKNGIEHEQINQSGLDITFHSIA 60
 M KKI+FTGGGTVGHVTLNLILIPKFIKDGWEVHYIGDKNGIEH +I +SGLD+TFH+IA
 25 Sbjct: 8 MPKKILFTGGGTVGHVTLNLILIPKFIKDGWEVHYIGDKNGIEHTEIEKSGLDVTFHAIA 67

Query: 61 TGKLRRYFSWQNM L D V F K V G V G L Q S I A I I A K L R P Q A L F S K G G F V S V P P V V A A R L L K V P V 120
 TGKLRRYFSWQN+ D V F K V +G+LQS+ I+AKLRPQALFSKGGFVSVPVVA+LL PV
 30 Sbjct: 68 TGKLRRYFSWQNLADVF K V A L G L L Q S L F I V A K L R P Q A L F S K G G F V S V P P V V A A K L L G K P V 127

Query: 121 FVHESDLSMGLANKIAYKFATIMYTTFEQSKDLIKTKHIGAVTKVM-DCKKSFENTDLTS 179
 F+HESD SMGLANKIAYKFAT MYTTFEQ L K KH+GAVTKV D + E+T L +
 35 Sbjct: 128 FIHESDRSMGLANKIAYKFATTMYTTFEQEDQLSKVKHLGAVTKVFKDANQMPESTQLEA 187

Query: 180 IKEAFDPNLKTL L F I G G S A G A K V F N D F I T Q T F E L E E K Y N V I N I S G D S S L N R L K K N L Y R V D 239
 +KE F +LKTLLFIGGSAGA VFN FI+ PEL+++YN+INI+GD LN L +LYRVD
 40 Sbjct: 188 VKEYFSRDLKTL L F I G G S A G A H V F N Q F I S D H P E L K Q R Y N I I N I T G D P H L N E L S S H L Y R V D 247

Query: 240 YVTDLYQPLMNLADVVVTRGGSNTIFELVAMKHLHLIIPLGREASRGDQLENAAYFEKKG 299
 YVTDLYQPLM +AD+VVTRGGSNT+FEL+AM KLHLI+PLG+EASRGDQLENA YFE++G
 45 Sbjct: 248 YVTDLYQPLMAMADLVVTRGGSNTLFELLAMAKHLHLIIVPLGKEASRGDQLENATYFEKRG 307

Query: 300 YALQLPESELNINTLEKQINLLISNSESSEYKNSQSSEIKSQDEFYQLLIDDMAKVTK 357
 YA QL E +L ++ ++ + L + YE M + EI+S D FY LL D++ K
 50 Sbjct: 308 YAKQLQEPDLTLNFPDQAMADLFEHQADYEATMLATKEIQSPDFYDLLRADISSAIK 365

SEQ ID 212 (GBS306) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 51 (lane 12; MW 43kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 56 (lane 4; MW 68kDa).

GBS306-GST was purified as shown in Figure 207, lane 9.

50 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 67

A DNA sequence (GBSx0067) was identified in *S.galactiae* <SEQ ID 215> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 216>. This protein is predicted to be cell division protein DivIB. Analysis of this protein
 55 sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 58

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>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -14.33 Transmembrane 103 - 119 (96 - 124)

5 ----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.6731(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

10 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAC95451 GB:AF068902 cell division protein DivIB [Streptococcus pneumoniae]

Identities = 119/396 (30%), Positives = 214/396 (53%), Gaps = 38/396 (9%)

15 Query: 3 KKKSDTPEKEEVV-LTEWQKRNLEFLKKRKEDEE---EQKRINEKLRLDKRS-----KLN 53
 KK D EE+ L+EWQKRN E+LKK+ E+E E+K + R+ + S K +
 Sbjct: 5 KKNEDKEILEELKELSEWQKRNQEVYKKKAEEEAALAEKEKERQARMGEESEKSEDQKD 64

20 Query: 54 ISSPEEPQNTTKIKKLHFPKIS-----RPKIEKKQKKEKIVNSLAKTNR---- 97
 S + +++ K+ K++ P+ ++K++++K ++ A +
 Sbjct: 65 QESETDQEDSESAKEESEEKVASSEADKEKEKEKEEPESKEKEEQDKKLSKKATKEKPAPA 124

25 Query: 98 -----IRTAPIFVVAFLVILVSVFLLPFSKQKTITVSGNQHTPDDILIEKTNIQKND 150
 +R I + L+++VS +LL+P++ K I V G T D + + + IQ +D
 Sbjct: 125 KIPGIHILRAFTILFPSLLLLIVSAYLLSPYATMKDIRVEGTVQTTADDIRQASGIQSD 184

30 Query: 151 YFFSLIFKHKAIEQRLAAEDVWVKTAQMTYQFPNKFHIQVQENKIIAYAHKQGYQPVLE 210
 Y +L+ E+++ + + WV++AQ+ YQFP KF I+V+E I+AY + + + P+L
 Sbjct: 185 YTNLLLLDKAKYEKQIKS-NYWVESAQLVYQFPPTKFTIKVKEYDIVAYYISGENHYPILS 243

35 Query: 211 TKG-KADPVNSSELPKHFLTINLDKEDSIKLLIKDLKALDPDLISEIQVISLADSKTTPD 269
 +G+ + V+ + LP+ +L++ + + IK+ + +L + P+L + IQ + LA SK T D
 Sbjct: 244 SQQLETSSVSLNSLPETYLSVLFNDSEIQKVFVSELAQISPELKAQKVELAPSKVTSD 303

Query: 270 LLLLDMDHGDGNSIRIPLSKFKERLFFYKQIKKNLKEPSIVDMEVGVTNTNTIESTPVKAE 329
 L+ L M+D + + +PLS+ ++LP+Y +IK L EPS+VDME G+Y+ T + E
 Sbjct: 304 LIRLTMNDSDEVLVPLSEMSKKLPYYSKIKPQLSEPSVVDMEAGIYSYTVADKLIMEVEE 363

40 Query: 330 DTKNKSTDKTQTQNGQVAENSSQGQTNNNTNQCGQQ 365
 K ++ + + Q E + Q SN NQ Q+
 Sbjct: 364 KAKQEAKEAEKKQE---EEQKKQEESNRNQTTQR 395

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 217> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 218>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 59

45 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -9.45 Transmembrane 106 - 122 (102 - 125)

50 ----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4779(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

55 Identities = 152/381 (39%), Positives = 232/381 (59%), Gaps = 14/381 (3%)

Query: 4 KKKSDTPEKEEVVLTETWQKRNLEFLKKRKEDEEEQKRINEKLRLDKRSKLNISPEEP--- 60
 K + +++VLTEWQKRN+EFLKK+K+ EE+K++ EKL DK+++ + E
 Sbjct: 3 KDKKEQSDDKLVLTETWQKRNIEFLKKKKQQAEEBKLEKLLSDKKAQQQAQNAASEAVEL 62

60 Query: 61 --QNTTKIKKLHFPKISRPKIEKK--QKKEKIVNSLAKTNRIRTAIFVVAFLVILVSVF 116
 T +++ S+PK KK Q KEK +A ++ P+ + A L++ VS+F
 Sbjct: 63 KTDEKTDSEIESETTSKPKKTKKVRQPKEKSATQIAFQ---KSLPVLLGALLLMAVSIF 119

Query: 117 LLTPFSKQKTITVSGNQHTPDDILIEKTNIQKNDYFFSLIFKHKAIEQRLAAEDVWVKTA 176

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      ++TP+SK+K +V GN T D LI+ + ++ +DY+ +L+      E+ +      WVK+
Sbjct: 120 MITPYSKKKEFSVRGNHQTNLDELKASKVKASDYWLTLTSPGQYERPILRITIPWVKSV 179

Query: 177 QMTYQFPNKFHIQVQENKIIAYAHTKQGYQPVLETGKKADPVNSSELPKHFLTINLDKED 236
      ++YQFPN F V E +IIAYA + G+QP+LE GK+ D V +SELPK FL +NL E
Sbjct: 180 HLSYQFPNHFLEFNVEIFEIIAYAQVENGFPQILENGKRVDKVRASELPKSFILNLKDEK 239

Query: 237 SIKLLIKDLKALDPLISEIQVISLADSKTTPDLLLLDMHDGNSIRIPLSKFKERLPFYK 296
      +I+ L+K L L L+ I+ +SLA+SKTT DLLL++MHDGN +R+P S+ +LP+Y+
Sbjct: 240 AIQQLVKQLTTLPKKLKVNKSVSLANSKTTADLLLIEMHDGNVVRVPQSQTLKLPYYQ 299

Query: 297 QIKKNLKEPSIVDMEVGVTITTTTIESTPVKAEDTKNKSTDKTQTQNGQVAENSQGGQTNN 356
      ++KKNL+ SIVDMEVG+YTTT IE+ P + + DK + G+ Q QT+N
Sbjct: 300 KLKKNLEND SIVDMEVGIIYTTTQEIEHQPEVPLTPEQNAADKEGDKPGE---HQEQTDN 355

Query: 357 SNTNQGGQQIATEQAPNPQNV 377
      + Q + P+P+ V
Sbjct: 356 DSETPANQSSPQQTPPSPETV 376

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SEQ ID 216 (GBS85) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 17 (lane 10; MW 45.2kDa).

The GBS85-His fusion product was purified (Figure 105A; see also Figure 193, lane 5) and used to immunise mice (lane 1 product; 20µg/mouse). The resulting antiserum was used for Western blot (Figure 105B), FACS (Figure 105C), and in the *in vivo* passive protection assay (Table III). These tests confirm that the protein is immunoaccessible on GBS bacteria and that it is an effective protective immunogen.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 68

A DNA sequence (GBSx0068) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 219> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 220>. This protein is predicted to be cell division protein FtsA (ftsA). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 56

>>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
INTEGRAL Likelihood = -3.19 Transmembrane 322 - 338 ( 321 - 338)

----- Final Results -----
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.2275(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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>GP:AAC95439 GB:AF068901 cell division protein FtsA [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
Identities = 292/457 (63%), Positives = 366/457 (79%), Gaps = 1/457 (0%)

Query: 1 MARNGFFTGLDIGTSSIKVLVAEFIANEMNVIGVSNVPSSGVKDGIIIDIEAAATAIKEA 60
      MAR GFFTGLDIGTSS+KVLVAE E+NVIGVSN S GVKDGII+DI+AAATAIK A
Sbjct: 1 MAREGFFTGLDIGTSSVKVLVAEQRNGELNVIGVSNASKSGVKDGIIVDIDAAATAIKSA 60

Query: 61 VKQAEKAGITIDKINVGLPEANLLQIEPTQGMIPVPNESKEIKDEDVESVVKSAITKSIT 120
      + QAEKAGI+I +NVGLP NLLQ+EPTQGMIPV +++KEI D+DVE+VVKSAITKS+T
Sbjct: 61 ISQAEKAGISIKSVNVGLPGNLLQVEPTQGMIPVTSDTKEITDQDVENVVKSAITKSMT 120

Query: 121 PEREVISLIPLEFIVDGFQGIRDPRGMMGIRLEMRLIYTGPTTILHNLKRTVERAGIKV 180
      P+REVI+ IP EFIVDGFQGIRDPRGMMG+RLEMRL+YTGP TILHNLKRTVERAG++V
Sbjct: 121 PDREVITFIPEEFIVDGFQGIRDPRGMMGVRLEMRLLYTGPRITILHNLKRTVERAGVQV 180

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Query: 181 EHVVIAPLALAKSVLNEGEREFGATVIDMGGGQTTVASMRNQELOYTNIYSEGS DYVTKD 240
 E+V+I+PLA+ +SVLNEGEREFGATVIDMG GQTTVA++RNEQLQ+T+I EG DYVTKD
 Sbjct: 181 ENVIISPLAMVQSVLNEGEREFGATVIDMGAGQTTVATIRNQEQLQFTHILQE GGDYVTKD 240

Query: 241 ISKVLRTTVEIAEALKFNFGQANVEEASTSDTVQVNVVGNEEPVEITESYLSQIISGRIR 300
 ISKVL+T+ ++AE LK N+G+A AS +T QV V+G E VE+TE+YLS+IIS RI+
 Sbjct: 241 ISKVLKTSRKLAEGKLKNYGEAYPPLAS-KETFQVEVIGEVEAVEVTEAYLSEIISARIK 299

Query: 301 QILEHVKQDLGRCLLDLPGGIILVGGGAIMPGVVEVAQQIFGTRVKLHVPNQVGIRNPM 360
 ILE +KQ+L R RLLDLPGGI+L+GG AI+PG+VE+AQ++FG RVKL+VPNQVGIRNP
 Sbjct: 300 HILEQIKQELDRRLDLPGGIVLIGGNAILPGMVELAQEVEFGVRVKLYVPNQVGIRNPA 359

Query: 361 FANVISIVDYVGMSEVDIIAQHAVTGDEMLRHKPVDFDYKEKINTMSTMPYSEPLTSSM 420
 FA+VIS+ ++ G ++EV+++AQ A+ G+ L H+P+ F + +
 Sbjct: 360 FAHVISLSEFAGQLTEVNLLAQGAIKGENDLSHQPI SFPGMLQKTAQFVQSTPVQPAPAP 419

Query: 421 EDSNLEPIRARENAQEPTPEKANIGERIRGIFGSMFD 457
 E + P + Q+ ++ K + +R RG+ GSMFD
 Sbjct: 420 EVEPVAPTEPMADFQQASQNKPKLADRFRGLIGSMFD 456

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 221> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 222>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 55

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -3.35 Transmembrane 313 - 329 (312 - 329)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.2338(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

>GP:AAC95439 GB:AF068901 cell division protein FtsA [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
 Identities = 299/448 (66%), Positives = 368/448 (81%), Gaps = 4/448 (0%)

Query: 1 LDIGTSSIKVLVAEFISGEMNVIGVSNVPSTGVKDGIIIDIEAATAIKTAVEQAEBEKAG 60
 LDIGTSS+KVLVAE +GE+NVIGVSN S GVKDGII+DI+AAATAIK+A+ QAEBEKAG
 Sbjct: 10 LDIGTSSVKVLVAEQRNGELNVIGVSNKSKGVKDGIIIVDIDAATAIKSAISQAEBEKAG 69

Query: 61 MTIEKVNVLGPANLLQIEPTQGMIPVPSESKEIKDEVDVSVKSALTKSITPEREVISLV 120
 ++I+ VNVGLP NLLQ+EPTQGMIPV S++KEI D+DV++VVKSAITKS+TP+REVI+ +
 Sbjct: 70 ISIKSVNVGLPGNLLQVEPTQGMIPVTSDTKEITDQDVENVVKSAITKSMTPDREVITFI 129

Query: 121 PEEFIVDGFQGIRDPRGMMGIRLEMRLIYTGPESTILHNLKRTVERAGIKVENIISPLA 180
 PEEFIVDGFQGIRDPRGMMG+RLEMRL+YTGPE TILHNLKRTVERAG++VEN+IISPLA
 Sbjct: 130 PEEFIVDGFQGIRDPRGMMGVRLEMRLYTGPESTILHNLKRTVERAGVQVENVIISPLA 189

Query: 181 MAKTI LNEGEREFGATVIDMGGGQTTVASMRAQELOYTNIYAEAGGEYITKDISKVLKTSI 240
 M +++LNEGEREFGATVIDMG GQTTVA++R QELQ+T+I EGG+Y+TKDISKVLKTS
 Sbjct: 190 MVQSVLNEGEREFGATVIDMGAGQTTVATIRNQEQLQFTHILQE GGDYVTKDISKVLKTSR 249

Query: 241 AIAEALKFNFGQAEISEASITETVKVDVVGSEEPVEVTERYLSEIISARIRHILDRVKQD 300
 +AE LK N+G+A AS ET +V+V+G E VEVTE YLSEIISARI+HIL+++KQ+
 Sbjct: 250 KLAEGKLKNYGEAYPPLAS-KETFQVEVIGEVEAVEVTEAYLSEIISARIKHILEQIKQE 308

Query: 301 LERGRLLDLPGGIVLIGGAIMPGVVEIAQEIFGVTVKLHVPNQVGIRNPMFSNVISLVE 360
 L+R RLLDLPGGIVLIGG AI+PG+VE+AQE+FGV VKL+VPNQVGIRNP F++VISL E
 Sbjct: 309 LDRRLDLPGGIVLIGGNAILPGMVELAQEVEFGVRVKLYVPNQVGIRNPAFAHVISLSE 368

Query: 361 YVGMMEVDVLAQTAVSGEELLRRKPIDFSGQESYLPDYDDSRPESTIGYEQQ--ASQ 417
 + G ++EV++LAQ A+ GE L +PI F G + S + E + ++
 Sbjct: 369 FAGQLTEVNLLAQGAIKGENDLSHQPI SFPGMLQKTAQFVQSTPVQPAPAPEVEPVAPTE 428

Query: 418 TAYDSQVPSDPKQKISERVGIFGSMFD 445
 D Q S K K+++R RG+ GSMFD
 Sbjct: 429 PMADFQQASQNKPKLADRFRGLIGSMFD 456

5 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 349/456 (76%), Positives = 402/456 (87%), Gaps = 19/456 (4%)

Query: 10 LDIGTSSIKVLVAEFIANEMNVIGVSNVPSSGVKDGIIIDIEAAATAIKEAVKQAEKAG 69
 LDIGTSSIKVLVAEFI+ EMNVIGVSNVPS+GVKDGIIIDIEAAATAIK AV+QAEKAG
 10 Sbjct: 1 LDIGTSSIKVLVAEFISGEMNVIGVSNVPSTGVKDGIIIDIEAAATAIKTAVEQAEKAG 60

Query: 70 ITIDKINVGLPANLLQIEPTQGMIPVPNESKEIKDEDVESVVKALTKSITPEREVISLI 129
 +TI+K+NVGLPANLLQIEPTQGMIPVP+ESKEIKDEDV+SVVKALTKSITPEREVISL+
 15 Sbjct: 61 MTIEKVNVLGLPANLLQIEPTQGMIPVPSESKEIKDEDVDSVVKALTKSITPEREVISLV 120

Query: 130 PLEFIVDGFQGIRDPRGMMGIRLEMRLIYTGPTTILHNLKTVRAGIKVEHVVIAPLA 189
 P EFIVDGFQGIRDPRGMMGIRLEMRLIYTG+TILHNLKTVRAGIKVE+++I+PLA
 Sbjct: 121 PEEFIVDGFQGIRDPRGMMGIRLEMRLIYTGPTTILHNLKTVRAGIKVENIIISPLA 180

Query: 190 LAKSVLNEGEREFGATVIDMGGGQTTVASMRLQELQYTNIIYSEGSYVTKDISKVLRTTV 249
 +AK++LNEGEREFGATVIDMGGGQTTVASMRLQELQYTNIIY+EG +Y+TKDISKVL+T++
 20 Sbjct: 181 MAKTLNEGEREFGATVIDMGGGQTTVASMRLQELQYTNIIYABGGYITKDISKVLKTS 240

Query: 250 EIAEALKFNFGQANVEEASTSDTVQVNVVGNPEEVEITESYLSQIISGRIRQILEHVQKD 309
 IAEALKFNFGQA + EAS ++TV+V+VVG+EEPVE+TE YLS+IIS RIR IL+ VKQD
 25 Sbjct: 241 AIAEALKFNFGQAEISEASITETVKVDVVGSEEPVEVTERYLSEIISARIRHILDRVQKD 300

Query: 310 LGRGRLLDLPGGIILVGGGAIMPVVEVAQQIFGTRVKLHVPNQVGIRNPMFANVISIVD 369
 L RGRLLDLPGGI+L+CGGAIMPVVE+AQ+IFG VKLHVPNQVGIRNPMF+NVIS+V+
 30 Sbjct: 301 LERGRLLDLPGGIVLIGGGAIMPVVEIAQEIFGTVKLVHVPNQVGIRNPMFSNVISLVE 360

Query: 370 YVGMMSVDIIAQHAVTGDEMLRHKPVDF-----DYKEKTNMTSTMPYSEPLTSSME 421
 YVGMMSVD++AQ AV+G+E+LR KP+DF DY + ST+ Y + + +
 35 Sbjct: 361 YVGMMSVDVLAQTAVSGEELLRRKPIDFSGQESYLPDYDDSRPESTIGYBQQASQTAY 420

Query: 422 DSNLEPIRARENAQEPTEPKANIGERIRGIFGSMFD 457
 DS Q P++PK I ER+RGIFGSMFD
 Sbjct: 421 DS-----QVPSDPKQKISERVGIFGSMFD 445

40 SEQ ID 220 (GBS73) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 17 (lane 5; MW 47.8kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 20 (lane 5; MW 70.1kDa).

GBS73-GST was purified as shown in Figure 197, lane 7.

45 The GBS73-His fusion product was purified (Figure 103A) and used to immunise mice (lane 1 product; 20µg/mouse). The resulting antiserum was used for Western blot (Figure 103B), FACS (Figure 103C) and in the *in vivo* passive protection assay (Table III). These tests confirm that the protein is immunoaccessible on GBS bacteria and that it is an effective protective immunogen.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

50 **Example 69**

A DNA sequence (GBSx0069) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 223> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 224>. This protein is predicted to be cell division protein FtsZ (ftsZ). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 56

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>>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -1.97 Transmembrane 117 - 133 (117 - 133)

5 ----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1786(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

10 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAC95440 GB:AF068901 cell division protein FtsZ [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
Identities = 327/426 (76%), Positives = 363/426 (84%), Gaps = 7/426 (1%)15 Query: 1 MVFSFDTASVQGAIVKIVGVGGGGNAINRMIDEGVAGVEFIAANTDIQALSSSKAETVI 60
M FSPDTA+ QGAVIKVIGVGGGGNAINRM+DEGV GVEFIAANTD+QALSS+KAETVI
Sbjct: 1 MTFSFDTAQAQGAIVKIVGVGGGGNAINRMVDEGVGTGVEFIAANTDVQALSSSTKAETVI 6020 Query: 61 QLGPKLTRGLGAGGQPEVGRKAAEESEEVLTALTEAGDMVFITAGMGGSGTGAAAPVIAR 120
QLGPKLTRGLGAGGQPEVGRKAAEESEEE LTEA++GADMVFITAGMGGSGTGAAAPVIAR
Sbjct: 61 QLGPKLTRGLGAGGQPEVGRKAAEESEETLTALTEAGDMVFITAGMGGSGTGAAAPVIAR 12025 Query: 121 IAKSLGALTVAIVTRPFGFEGNKRNSNFAIEGIELREQVDTLIIISNNNLEIVDKKTPL 180
IAK LGALT V+TRPFGFEG+KR FA+EGI +LRE VDTLLIIISNNNLEIVDKKTPL
Sbjct: 121 IAKDLGALTGVVTRPFGFEGSKRGQFAVEGINQLREHVDTLIIISNNNLEIVDKKTPL 180Query: 181 LEALSEADNVLROGVQGITDLITNPGLINLDFADVKTVMANKGNALMGIGIGSGEERITE 240
LEALSEADNVLROGVQGITDLITNPGLINLDFADVKTVMANKGNALMGIGIGSGEER+ E
Sbjct: 181 LEALSEADNVLROGVQGITDLITNPGLINLDFADVKTVMANKGNALMGIGIGSGEERVVE 24030 Query: 241 AARKAIYSPLLETTIDGAEDVIVNVVTGGMDMTLTAEEASEIVSQAGKGVNIWLGTSID 300
AARKAIYSPLLETTIDGAEDVIVNVVTGG+D+TL EAEAS+IV+QAAG+GVNIWLGTSID
Sbjct: 241 AARKAIYSPLLETTIDGAEDVIVNVVTGGLDLTLEAEASQIVNQAAGQGVNIWLGTSID 30035 Query: 301 MDMKDEIRVTVVATGVRKDKTNQVSGFTTSAPTINQAPSERQSTSNFDRRCNFDMTESR 360
M+DEIRVTVVATGVR+D+ +V + TN + + + S+ FDR +FDM E+
Sbjct: 301 ESMRDEIRVTVVATGVRQDRVEKRVAPQARSATNYRETVPKPAHSH-GFDR--HFDMAETA 35740 Query: 361 EMPTQQNQPHAQNNQQSSAFGNWDLRRDNISRPTEGELDSKLSMSTFSENDDMDELETP 420
E+P Q P Q+SAFG+WDLRR++I R T+ + D +DEL+TP
Sbjct: 358 ELPKQ--NPRRLEPTQASAFGWDLLRRESIVRTTDSVSPVERFEAPISQD--EDELDTF 413

Query: 421 PFFKNR 426

PFFKNR

45 Sbjct: 414 PFFKNR 419

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 225> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 226>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 56

50 >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -1.81 Transmembrane 117 - 133 (117 - 133)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1723(Affirmative) < succ>

55 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 372/439 (84%), Positives = 391/439 (88%), Gaps = 13/439 (2%)

60 Query: 1 MVFSFDTASVQGAIVKIVGVGGGGNAINRMIDEGVAGVEFIAANTDIQALSSSKAETVI 60
M FSPDTAS+QGA+IKVIGVGGGGNAINRMIDEGVAGVEFIAANTDIQALSSSKAETVI
Sbjct: 1 MAFSFDTASIQGAIKIVGVGGGGNAINRMIDEGVAGVEFIAANTDIQALSSSKAETVI 60

Query: 61 QLGPKLTRGLGAGGQPEVGRKAAEESEEVLTALTGADMVFITAGMGGSGTGAAAPVIAR 120
 QLGPKLTRGLGAGGQPEVGRKAAEESEE+LTEALTGADMVFITAGMGGSGTGAAAPVIAR
 Sbjct: 61 QLGPKLTRGLGAGGQPEVGRKAAEESEIILTEALTGADMVFITAGMGGSGTGAAAPVIAR 120

5 Query: 121 IAKSLGALTAVITRPFGEFEGNKRNFNFAIEGIEQLREQVDTLIIISNNNLEIVDKKTPL 180
 IAKSLGALTAV+TRPFGEFEGNKR NFAIEGI+ELREQVDTLIIISNNNLEIVDKKTPL
 Sbjct: 121 IAKSLGALTAVVTRPFGEFEGNKRNFNFAIEGIEELREQVDTLIIISNNNLEIVDKKTPL 180

10 Query: 181 LEALSEADNVLQGVQGITDITNPGLINLDFADVKTVMANKGNALMGIGIGSGEERITE 240
 LEALSEADNVLQGVQGITDIT+PGLINLDFADVKTVMANKGNALMGIGIGSGEERI E
 Sbjct: 181 LEALSEADNVLQGVQGITDITSPGLINLDFADVKTVMANKGNALMGIGIGSGEERIVE 240

15 Query: 241 AARKAIYSPLETTIDGAEDVIVNVVTGGMDMTLTEAEEASEIVSQAGKGVNIWLGTSID 300
 AARKAIYSPLETTIDGA+DVIVNVVTGG+DMTLTEAEEASEIV QAAG+GVNIWLGTSID
 Sbjct: 241 AARKAIYSPLETTIDGAQDVIVNVVTGGLDMTLTEAEEASEIVGQAAGQGVNIWLGTSID 300

20 Query: 301 MDMKDEIRVTVVATGVRKDKTNQVSGF---TTSAPTN-----QAPSERQSTSNFND 349
 MKD+IRVTVVATGVR++K QVSGF T TN A + + + FD
 Sbjct: 301 DTMKDDIRVTVVATGVRQEKAEQVSGFRQPRFTTQTNAQQVAGAQVASDAQKQSVQPGFD 360

25 Query: 350 RRGN--FDMTESREMPTQONQPHAQNNQSSAFGNWDLRRDNISRPTGELDLSKLSMSTF 407
 RR N FDM ESRE+P+ Q NQ Q SAFGNWDLRRDNISRPTGELD+ L+MSTF
 Sbjct: 361 RRSNFDFDMGESREIPSAQKVISHNHNQNGSAFGNWDLRRDNISRPTGELDNHLSMSTF 420

30 Query: 408 SENDDMDDELETPPPFFKNR 426
 S NDD DDELETPPPFFKNR
 Sbjct: 421 SANDDSDELETPPPFFKNR 439

SEQ ID 224 (GBS163) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell
 30 extract is shown in Figure 28 (lane 7; MW 44kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion
 product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 34 (lane 4; MW 69kDa).

The GBS163-GST fusion product was purified (Figure 114A; see also Figure 198, lane 11) and used to
 immunise mice (lane 1 product; 20µg/mouse). The resulting antiserum was used for Western blot (Figure
 114B), FACS and in the *in vivo* passive protection assay (Table III). These tests confirm that the protein is
 35 immunoaccessible on GBS bacteria and that it is an effective protective immunogen.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for
 vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 70

A DNA sequence (GBSx0070) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 227> which encodes the amino acid
 40 sequence <SEQ ID 228>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 21

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

45 ----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2750(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

50 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAC95441 GB:AF068901 Ylme [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
 Identities = 140/223 (62%), Positives = 177/223 (78%)

55 Query: 2 MNLQENKTAIFDNVSKLALKAGRAHESVHIVAVTKYVNCQTTEALIRTGVNHIGENRVDK 61
 MN++EN +F V++ +L A R SV ++AVTKYV+ T EAL+ GV+HIGENRVDK
 Sbjct: 1 MNVKENTELVFREVAEASLSAHRESGSVSVIAVTKYVDVPTAEALLPLGVHHIGENRVDK 60

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5 Query: 62 FLEKYQALKDEKLTWHLIGSLQRRKVKDVINYVDYFHALDSVKLA AEIQKHAQKLIKCF 121
FLEKY+ALKD +TWHLIG+LQRRKVKDVI YVDYFHALDSVKLA EI QK + ++IKCF
Sbjct: 61 FLEKYEALKDRDVTWHLIGTLQRRKVKDVIQYVDYFHALDSVKLAGEIQKRSRVIKCF 120

Query: 122 QVNISREDSKHGFTTIEQIDDALNLISRYDKIELIGIMTMAPLKATKEEISSIFEETESLR 181
QVNIS+E+SKHGF+ E++ + L ++R DKIE +G+MTMAP +A+ E++ IF+ + L+
Sbjct: 121 QVNISKEESKHGFSREELLEILPELARLDKIEYVGLMTMAPFEASSEQLKEIFKAAQDLQ 180

10 Query: 182 KRLQARNIERMPFTELSMGMSRDYDIAIQNGSTFVRIGTSFFK 224
+ +Q + I MP TELSMGMSRDY AIQ GSTFVRIGTSFFK
Sbjct: 181 REIQEKQIPNMPTELSMGMSRDYKEAIQFGSTFVRIGTSFFK 223

15 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 229> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 230>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 20

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

20 ----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2451(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

25 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 133/222 (59%), Positives = 164/222 (72%)

Query: 2 MNLQENKTAIFDNVSKLALKAGRAHESVHIVAVTKYVNCQTTEALIRTGVNHIGENRVDK 61
M+L NK IF+ + A R ++SV ++AVTKYV+ LI G+ HI ENRVDK
30 Sbjct: 1 MDLLTNKKKIFETIRLSTEANRTNDSVSVIAVTKYVDSTIAGQLIEAGIEHIAENRVDK 60

Query: 62 FLEKYQALKDEKLTWHLIGSLQRRKVKDVINYVDYFHALDSVKLA AEIQKHAQKLIKCF 121
FLEKY ALK + WHLIG+LQRRKVK+VINYVDYFHALDSV+LA EI K A +KCF
35 Sbjct: 61 FLEKYDALKYMPVKWHLIGTLQRRKVKVINYVDYFHALDSVRLALEINKRADHPVKCF 120

Query: 122 QVNISREDSKHGFTTIEQIDDALNLISRYDKIELIGIMTMAPLKATKEEISSIFEETESLR 181
QVNIS+E+SKHGF I +ID+A+ I + +KI+L+G+MTMAP A+KE I +IF + LR
Sbjct: 121 QVNISKEESKHGFNISEIDEAIGEIGKMEKIQLVGLMTMAPANASKESIITIFRQANQLR 180

40 Query: 182 KRLQARNIERMPFTELSMGMSRDYDIAIQNGSTFVRIGTSFF 223
K LQ + + MPFTELSMGMS DY IAIQ GSTF+RIG +FF
Sbjct: 181 KNLQLKKRKNMPFTELSMGMSNDYPIAIQEGSTFIRIGRAFF 222

45 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 71

A DNA sequence (GBSx0071) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 231> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 232>. This protein is predicted to be YlmF. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

50 Possible site: 58

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

55 ----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2194(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9617> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9618> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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5  >GP:AAC95442 GB:AF068901 YlmF [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
    Identities = 86/200 (43%), Positives = 120/200 (60%), Gaps = 25/200 (12%)

Query: 5  MALKDRFDKIISYFDTDDVSENEVHEVQERTSVQRDSRAATAQEASQRSHMTNSAEEEMI 64
          M+LKDRFD+ I YF T+D + +E +RD T+ +SQ + + +
10  Sbjct: 1  MSLKDRFDRFIDYF-TEDEDSSLPYE-----KRDEPVFTSVNSSQEPALPMNQPSQSA 52

Query: 65  GSRPRITYTYDPNRQERQVRQDNAYQQATPRVQNKDSVRQREQVTIALKYPRKYEDAQE 124
          G++ T RQ+ + N Q+AT ++V I ++YPRKYEDA E
15  Sbjct: 53  GTKENNITRLHARQ---ELANQSRAT-----DKVIIDVRYPRKYEDATE 95

Query: 125  IVDLLIVNECVLIDFQYMLDAQARRCLDYIDGASRVLYGSLQKVGSSMFLLLTPANVMVDI 184
          IVDLL NE +LIDFQYM + QARRCLDY+DGA VL G+L+KV S+M+LLTP NV+V++
20  Sbjct: 96  IVDLLAGNESILIDFQYMTFVQARRCLDYLDGACHVLAGNLKKVASTMYLLTPVNVIVNV 155

Query: 185  EEMNIPKTGQETSDFDFDMKR 204
          E++ +P Q+ F FDMKR
25  Sbjct: 156  EDIRLPDEDQQGEFGFDMKR 175

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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 233> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 234>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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25  Possible site: 49
    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
        INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.64 Transmembrane 142 - 158 ( 142 - 158)

----- Final Results -----
30  bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1256(Affirmative) < succ>
    bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
    bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

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35  >GP:AAC95442 GB:AF068901 YlmF [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
    Identities = 82/219 (37%), Positives = 113/219 (51%), Gaps = 46/219 (21%)

Query: 5  MAFKDTFNKMISYFDTDEVNEVEEDVAASDNDVIP--RSQQSVRASSHPKQEPNNHVQQ 62
          M+ KD F++ I YF DE D+ +P + + V S + QEP Q
40  Sbjct: 1  MSLKDRFDRFIDYFTEDE-----DSSLPYEKRDEPVFTSVNSSQEPALPMNQ 48

Query: 63  DHQARSQEQTRSQMHPKHGTSERYYQQSQPKEGHEMVDRRKRMSTSSIANRREYQQSTC 122
          A ++E +++H + +AN Q
45  Sbjct: 49  SQSAGTKENNITRLHARQ-----QELAN-----QSQRA 76

Query: 123  SDQTTIALKYPRKYEDAQEIVDLLIVNECVLIDFQFMLDAQARRCLDFIDGASKVLYGSL 182
          +D+ I ++YPRKYEDA EIVDLL NE +LIDFQ+M + QARRCLD++DGA VL G+L
50  Sbjct: 77  TDKVIIDVRYPRKYEDATEIVDLLAGNESILIDFQYMTFVQARRCLDYLDGACHVLAGNL 136

Query: 183  QKVGSSMYLLAPSNVSVNIEEMTIPHTTQDIGDFDFDMKR 221
          +KV S+MYLL P NV VN+E++ +P Q F FDMKR
55  Sbjct: 137  KKVASTMYLLTPVNVIVNVEDIRLPDEDQQGEFGFDMKR 175

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

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55  Identities = 118/222 (53%), Positives = 145/222 (65%), Gaps = 17/222 (7%)

Query: 1  MEGNMALKDRFDKIISYFDTDDVSENEVHEVQERTSV---QRDSRAATAQEAS----- 50
          ME MA KD F+K+ISYFDTD+V+E E +V Q+ RA++ +
60  Sbjct: 1  MENKMAFKDTFNKMISYFDTDEVNEVEEDVAASDNDVIPRSQQSVRASSHPKQEPNNHV 60

Query: 51  QRSHMTNSAEEEMIGSRPRITYTYDPNRQERQVRQ---DNAYQQATPRVQNKDSVRQQR 106

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Q+ H S E+ P+ T + Q+ Q + D + +T + N+ QQ
 Sbjct: 61 QQDHQARSQEQTRSQMHPKHGTSERYYQQSQPKEGHEMVDRRKRMTSSIANRREQYQQS 120

Query: 107 ---EQVTIALKYPRKYEDAQEIVDLLIVNECVLIDFQYMLDAQARRCLDYIDGASRVLYG 163
 +Q TIALKYPRKYEDAQEIVDLLIVNECVLIDFQ+MLDAQARRCLD+IDGAS+VLYG
 Sbjct: 121 TCSDQTTIALKYPRKYEDAQEIVDLLIVNECVLIDFQFMLDAQARRCLDFIDGASKVLYG 180

Query: 164 SLQKVGSSMFLLPANVMVDIEEMNIPKTGQETSFDMDKRR 205
 SLQKVGSSM+LL P+NV V+IEEM IP T Q+ FDFMDKRR
 Sbjct: 181 SLQKVGSSMYLLAPSNVSVNIEEMTIPHTTQDIGDFMDKRR 222

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 72

15 A DNA sequence (GBSx0072) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 235> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 236>. This protein is predicted to be YlmH. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 35

20 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3956(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 25 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAC95444 GB:AF068901 YlmH [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
 Identities = 101/255 (39%), Positives = 161/255 (62%)

30 Query: 6 IYQHFRPEEYAFIHKIDHLAQYVENTYSFITTEFLNPREFKILKSVLERRGSHYYTSGQY 65
 IYQHF E+ F+ K + VE++Y+ T F+NP + K+L+ + + G +SG++
 Sbjct: 5 IYQHFSIEDRPFLDKGMEWIKKVEDSYAPFLTPFIPHPQEKLLKILAKTYGLACSSSGEF 64

35 Query: 66 FQTEYVVKVILIAPEYYQLDMADFNLSLIEIKYNAKFNLTHAKIMGTLLNLYLGVKRSILGD 125
 +EYV+V++ P+Y+Q + +DF +SL EI Y+ KF HLTHAKI+GT++N LG++R + GD
 Sbjct: 65 VSSEYVRVLLYPDYFQPEFSDFEISLQEIIVYSNKFELHAKILGTVINQLGIERKLFGD 124

40 Query: 126 ILVEEGCAQVLVDSQMTNHLVHVS TKIGTASVQLAEVPLSKLLTPKQDIQKLTVIASSLR 185
 ILV+E AQ++++ Q + KIG V L E P ++ + + ++L + SS R
 Sbjct: 125 ILVDEERAQIMINQQFLLLFQDGLKKIGRIPVSLEERPFEKIDKLEQYRELDSLVSFR 184

45 Query: 186 LDKILATILKISRTQSTKLIEADKVKVNYATVNRVSEQLVEGDLISVRGYGRFTLNHNLG 245
 LD +L+ +LK+SR Q+ +LIE V+VNY V++ + GDLSVR +GR L + G
 Sbjct: 185 LDVLLSNVLKLSRNQANQLIEKKLVQVNYHVVDKSDYTVQVGDLSVRKFGRLRLQLQDKG 244

Query: 246 LTKNQKYKLEVDKMI 260
 TK +K K+ V ++
 Sbjct: 245 QTKKEKKKITVQLLL 259

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 237> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 238>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 56

55 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.69 Transmembrane 46 - 62 (46 - 62)

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1277(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

5 >GP:AAC95444 GB:AF068901 YlmH [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
Identities = 110/257 (42%), Positives = 161/257 (61%)

10 Query: 7 IYQHFFHQQEYYPFIDRMSDMINRVEDYLLLEVTEFLNPREVMILKSLIALTDLKMFVSTDY 66
IYQHF E+ PF+D+ + I +VED Y +T F+NP + +LK L L S ++
Sbjct: 5 IYQHFSIEDRPFIDKGMWIKKVEDSYAPFLTPFINPHQEKLLKILAKTYGLACSSSGEF 64

15 Query: 67 YPSEYGRVLIAPGYDLEQSDFFQIALVEISYQAKFNQLTHSQILGTLINELGVKRNLF 126
SEY RV++ P Y+ E SDF+I+L EI Y KF LTH++ILGT+IN+LG++R LFGD
Sbjct: 65 VSSEYVRVLLYPDYFQPEFSDFEISLQEIIVSNKFEHLTHAKILGTVINQLGIERKLF 124

20 Query: 127 VFVEMGYAQLMIKRELIDYFLGTITKIAKTSVKLREVNFQDLIRSIDNSQTLDILVSSFR 186
+ V+ AQ+MI ++ L F + KI + V L E F + I ++ + LD+ VSSFR
Sbjct: 125 ILVDEERAQIMINQQFLLLFQDGLKKIGRIPVSLEERPFTKIDKLEQYRELDLSVSSFR 184

25 Query: 187 LDGVVATILKKSRTQVIALIEANKIKVNYRVANKASDNLVIGDMVSIRGHGRFTLLADNG 246
LD +++ +LK SR Q LIE ++VNY V +K+ + +GD++S+R GR LL D G
Sbjct: 185 LDVLLSNVLKLSRNQANQLIEKKLVQVNYHVVDKSDYTVQVGDLSVRKFGRLLQDKG 244

Query: 247 VTKHGKQKITLSKMIHK 263
TK K+KIT+ ++ K
Sbjct: 245 QTKKEKKKITVQLLLSK 261

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 123/256 (48%), Positives = 177/256 (69%)

30 Query: 6 IYQHFRPEEYAFIHKIDHLAQYVENTYSFITTEFLNPREFKILESVLERRGSHYYTSGQY 65
IYQHF EEY FI ++ + VE+ Y TEFLNPRE IL+S++ + S Y
Sbjct: 7 IYQHFFHQQEYYPFIDRMSDMINRVEDYLLLEVTEFLNPREVMILKSLIALTDLKMFVSTDY 66

35 Query: 66 FQTEYVKVIIAPEYYQLDMADFNLSLIEIKYNKFNHLTHAKIMGTLLNYLGVKRSILGD 125
+ +EY +VIIAP YY L+ +DF ++L+EI Y AKFN LTH++I+GTL+N LGVKR++ GD
Sbjct: 67 YPSEYGRVLIAPGYDLEQSDFFQIALVEISYQAKFNQLTHSQILGTLINELGVKRNLF 126

40 Query: 126 ILVEEGCAQVLVDSQMTNHLVHVSVKIGTASVQLAEVPLSKLLTPKQDIQKLTVIASSLR 185
+ VE G AQ+++ ++ ++ + ++TKI SV+L EV +L+ + Q L ++ SS R
Sbjct: 127 VFVEMGYAQLMIKRELIDYFLGTITKIAKTSVKLREVNFQDLIRSIDNSQTLDILVSSFR 186

45 Query: 186 LDKILATILKISRTQSTKLIEADKVKVNYATVNRVSEQLVEGDLISVRGYGRFTLNHNLG 245
LD ++ATILK SRTQ LIEA+K+KVNY N+ S+ LV GD++S+RG+GRFTL + G
Sbjct: 187 LDGVVATILKKSRTQVIALIEANKIKVNYRVANKASDNLVIGDMVSIRGHGRFTLLADNG 246

Query: 246 LTKNQKYKLEVDKMIH 261
+TK+ K K+ + KMIH
Sbjct: 247 VTKHGKQKITLSKMIH 262

50 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 73

A DNA sequence (GBSx0073) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 239> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 240>. This protein is predicted to be cell division protein DivIVA (septum placement).

55 Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 14

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

60 ----- Final Results -----

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bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.5418(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

5 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAC95445 GB:AF068901 cell division protein DivIVA [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
 Identities = 132/227 (58%), Positives = 179/227 (78%), Gaps = 2/227 (0%)

10 Query: 1 MPLTALEIKDKTFSSKFRGYSEEEVNEFLEIVDDYEDLIRRNREQEQYIKDLEEKIAYF 60
 MP+T+LEIKDKTF ++FRG+ EEV+EFL+IVV DYEDL+R N ++ IK LEE+++YF
 Sbjct: 1 MPITSLEIKDKTFGTRFRGFDPBEVDEFLDIVVRDYEDLVRANHDKNLRKSLERLSYF 60

15 Query: 61 NEMKESLSQSIVLAQETAERVKISAQDEASNLGKATFDAQHLIDEAKLKANQILRDATD 120
 +E+K+SLSQSV++AQ+TAERVK +A + ++N++ +A DAQ L++EAK KAN+ILR ATD
 Sbjct: 61 DEIKDSLSQSIVLAQDTAERVKQAHERSNNIHQAEQDAQRLLEEAKYKANEILRQATD 120

20 Query: 121 DAKRVAIETEDLKRQSRVHQRLLESELEGQLKLANSSAWEELIKPTAIYQLNSDASFKEV 180
 +AK+VA+ETE+LK +SRVFHQRL S +E QL + SS WE++L+PTA YLQ SD +FKEV
 Sbjct: 121 NAKKVAVETEELKNKSRVHQRLKSTIESQLAIVSSDWEDILRPTATYQLTSDEAFKEV 180

Query: 181 VEKVLDEDDALPVDDTSESFDATRQFSPDEMEELQRRVEESNKQLEE 227
 V +VL E P+ + E D TRQFS EM ELQ R+E ++K+L E
 Sbjct: 181 VSEVLGEPIPAPI--EEEPIDMTRQFSQAEMAELQARIEVADKELSE 225

25 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 241> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 242>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 14

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.6272(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 180/254 (70%), Positives = 217/254 (84%), Gaps = 2/254 (0%)

40 Query: 1 MPLTALEIKDKTFSSKFRGYSEEEVNEFLEIVDDYEDLIRRNREQEQYIKDLEEKIAYF 60
 M LT LEIKDKTF +KFRGY EEEVNEFL+IVDDYE L+R+NR+ E IKDLEEK++YF
 Sbjct: 1 MALTTLEIKDKTFKTKFRGYCEEEVNEFLDIVDDYEALVRKNRDNEARIKDLEEKLSYF 60

45 Query: 61 NEMKESLSQSIVLAQETAERVKISAQDEASNLGKATFDAQHLIDEAKLKANQILRDATD 120
 +EMKESLSQSIVLAQETA+VK +A EA+NL+ KAT+DAQHL+DE+K KANQ+LRDATD
 Sbjct: 61 DEMKESLSQSIVLAQETA+KATANA+ATNLVSKATYDAQHLLEDESKAKANQMLRDATD 120

50 Query: 121 DAKRVAIETEDLKRQSRVHQRLLESELEGQLKLANSSAWEELIKPTAIYQLNSDASFKEV 180
 +AKRVAIETE+LKRQ+RVFHQRL+S +E QL L+NS W+ELL+PTAIYQLNSD +FKEV
 Sbjct: 121 EAKRVAIETEELKRQTRVFHQRLISSIESQLSLNSPEWDELLQPTAIYQLNSDDAFKEV 180

Query: 181 VEKVLDEDDALPVDDTSESFDATRQFSPDEMEELQRRVEESNKQLEESGLLDTNFMQEE 240
 V+ VL+ED +P DD+ SFDATRQF+P+E+EELQRRV+ESNK+LE L ++ E
 Sbjct: 181 VKTVLNED--IPESDDASFDATRQFTPEELEELQRRVDESNEKELEAYQLDSQSDSTTEP 238

55 Query: 241 PINLGETQTFKLNI 254
 +NL ETQTFKLNI
 Sbjct: 239 EVNLSETQTFKLNI 252

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 74

A DNA sequence (GBSx0074) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 243> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 244>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 61

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.43 Transmembrane 841 - 857 (841 - 857)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1171(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAC95446 GB:AF068901 isoleucine-tRNA synthetase [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
Identities = 730/929 (78%), Positives = 822/929 (87%), Gaps = 1/929 (0%)

Query: 1 MKLKETLNLGQTAFPMRAGLPNKEPQWQEAWDQADIYKKRQALNEGKPAFHLHDGPPYAN 60
MKLK+TLNLG+T FPMRAGLP KEP WQ+ W+ A +Y++RQ LN+GKP F LHDGPPYAN

Sbjct: 1 MKLKDTLNLGKTEFPMRAGLPTEKPVWQKEWEDAKLYQRRQBLNQGPHTLHDGPPYAN 60

Query: 61 GNIHVGHALNKISKDIIVRSKSMGFRAPYVPGWDTHGLPIEQVLAKKGVKRKEMDLAEY 120
GNIHVGHAN+KISKDIIVRSKSMGFRAP++PGWDTHGLPIEQVL+K+GVKRKEMDL EY

Sbjct: 61 GNIHVGHAMNKISKDIIVRSKSMGFRAPFIPGWDTHGLPIEQVLSKQGVKVKEMDLVEY 120

Query: 121 LEMCRDYALSQVDKQRDDFKRLGVSDWENPYITLTPDYEADQVRVFGAMADKGYIYRGA 180
L++CR+YALSQVDKQR+DFKRLGVSDWENPY+TLTPDYEA Q+RVFG MA+KGYIYRGA

Sbjct: 121 LKLCREYALSQVDKQREDFKRLGVSGDWENPYVTLTPDYEAQIRVFGEMANKGYIYRGA 180

Query: 181 KPVYWSSESALAEAEIEYHDIDSTSLYYANKVKDGKILDTDITYIVVWTTTPTVTAS 240
KPVYWSSESALAEAEIEYHD+ STSLYYANKVKDGK+LDTDITYIVVWTTTPT+TAS

Sbjct: 181 KPVYWSSESALAEAEIEYHDLVSTSLYYANKVKDGKGLDITYIVVWTTTPTTITAS 240

Query: 241 RGLTVGPDMEYVVVVVPGSERKYLAEVLVDSLAAKFGWENFEIVTHHTGKELNHIVTEH 300
RGLTVG D++YV+V PVG RK+++A L+ SL+ KFGW + +++ + G+ELNHIVTEH

Sbjct: 241 RGLTVGADIDYVLVQPVGEARKFVVAELLTSLSEKFGWADVQVLETYRGQELNHIVTEH 300

Query: 301 FWDTEVEELVILGDHVTDSGTGIVHTAPGFGEDDYNVGIANGLDVVVTVDSRGLMMENA 360
FWDTEVEELVILGDHVTDSGTGIVHTAPGFGEDDYNVGIAN L+V VTVD RG+MM+NA

Sbjct: 301 FWDTAVEELVILGDHVTDSGTGIVHTAPGFGEDDYNVGIANNLEVAVTVDERGIMMKNA 360

Query: 361 GPDFEGQFYDKVTPLVKEKLGDLLESEVINHSYPFDWRTKKPIIWRAPQWFASVSKFR 420
GP+FEQGFY+KV P V EKL+LLE E I+HSYPFDWRTKKPIIWRAPQWFASVSKFR

Sbjct: 361 GPEFEGQFYKVVPTVIEKLGDLLESEVINHSYPFDWRTKKPIIWRAPQWFASVSKFR 420

Query: 421 QEILDEIEKTNFQPEWGGKRLYNMIRDRGDWVISRQRAWGVPLPIFYAEDGTAIMTKEVT 480
QEILDEIEK F EWGK RLYNMIRDRGDWVISRQ RGVPLPIFYAEDGTAIM E

Sbjct: 421 QEILDEIEKVKFHEWGGKRLYNMIRDRGDWVISRQRTWGVPLPIFYAEDGTAIMVAETI 480

Query: 481 DHVADLFAEYGSIVWWQRDAKDLLEAGYTHPGSPNGLFEKETDIMDVWFDGSSWNGVMN 540
+HVA LF ++GS +WW+RDAKDLLE G+THPGSPNG F+KETDIMDVWFDGSSWNGV+

Sbjct: 481 EHVAQLFEKHGSSIIWDERDAKDLLEPGFTHPGSPNGEFKKETDIMDVWFDGSSWNGVVV 540

Query: 541 ARENLSPADLYLEGSDQYRGWFNSSLITSVAVNGHAPYKAVLSQGFVLDGKGEKMSKSL 600
R L+YPADLYLEGSDQYRGWFNSSLITSV +G APYK +LSQGF LDGKGEKMSKSL

Sbjct: 541 NRPELTYPADLYLEGSDQYRGWFNSSLITSVANHGAVPYKQILSQGFALDGKGEKMSKSL 600

Query: 601 GNTILPSDVEKQFGAEILRLWVTSVDSSNDVRISMDILKQTSYRKYRNTLRFLIANTS 660
GNTI PSDVEKQFGAEILRLWVTSVDSSNDVRISMDIL Q SETYRKYRNTLRFLIANTS

Sbjct: 601 GNTIAPSDVEKQFGAEILRLWVTSVDSSNDVRISMDILSQVSEYRKYRNTLRFLIANTS 660

Query: 661 DFNPKQDAVAYENLGAVDRYMTIKFNQVDTINKAYAAAYDFMAIYKAVNVFVVDLSAFY 720
DFNP QD VAY+ L +VD+YMTI+FNQ+V TI AYA ++F+ IYKA+VNF+ VDLSAFY

Sbjct: 661 DFNPAQDVAAYDELRSVDKYMIRFNQVLKTIKDAYADFEFLTIYKALVNFVVDLSAFY 720

Query: 721 LDFAKDVVYIEAANSPEERRMQTVFYDILVKLTCLLTPILPHTAEEIWSYLEHEEEEFVQ 780
 LDFAKDVVYIE A S ERR+MQTVFYDILVK+TKLLTPILPHTAEEIWSYLE E E+FVQ
 Sbjct: 721 LDFAKDVVYIEGAKSLERRMQTVFYDILVKITKLLTPILPHTAEEIWSYLEFETEDFVQ 780

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Query: 781 LAEMPVAQTFSGQEEILBEWSAFMTLRTQAQKALEEARNAKVIGKSLEAHLTIYASQEVK 840
 L+E+P QTF+ QEEIL+ W+AFM R QAQKALEEARNAKVIGKSLEAHLT+Y ++ VK
 Sbjct: 781 LSELPEVQTFANQEEILDWAAFMDFRQQAQKALEEARNAKVIGKSLEAHLTVYPNEVVK 840

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Query: 841 TLLTALNSDIALLMIVSQTLTIADKPADSVSFEGVAFTVEHAEGEVCERSRRIDPTTK 900
 TLL A+NS++A L+IVS+LTIA+E P ++SFE VAFTVE A GEVC+R RRIDPTT
 Sbjct: 841 TLLLEAVNSNVAQLLIVSELTIAEE-PAPEAALSFEVAVTVERAAGEVCDRCRRIDPTTA 899

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Query: 901 MRSYGVAVCDASAAIEQYYPEAVAQGFE 929
 RSY +CD A+I+E+ + +AVA+GFE
 Sbjct: 900 ERSYQAVICDHCAIVEENFADAVAEGFE 928

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 245> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 246>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

20 Possible site: 61

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -1.70 Transmembrane 849 - 865 (848 - 867)

25 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1680 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

30 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 798/929 (85%), Positives = 857/929 (91%)

Query: 1 MKLKETLNLGQTAFPMRAGLPNKPEQWQAEWDQADIYKKRQALNEGKPAFHLHDGPPYAN 60
 MKLKETLNLG+TAFPMRAGLPNKPEQWQ AW+QA++YKKRQ LN GKPAFHLHDGPPYAN
 35 Sbjct: 1 MKLKETLNLGKTAFPMRAGLPNKPEQWQAWEQAELYKKRQELNAGKPAFHLHDGPPYAN 60

Query: 61 GNIHVGHALNKISKDIIVRSKSMGFRAPYVPGWDTHGLPIEQVLAKGKVRKEMDLAEY 120
 GNIHVGHALNKISKDIIVRSKSMGFP+APYVPGWDTHGLPIEQVLAK+G+KRKEMDLAEY
 40 Sbjct: 61 GNIHVGHALNKISKDIIVRSKSMGFPAPYVPGWDTHGLPIEQVLAKQGIKRKEMDLAEY 120

Query: 121 LEMCRDYALSQVDKQRDDFKRLGVSADWENPYITLTPDYEADQVRVFGAMADKGYIYRGA 180
 LEMCR YALSQVDKQRDDFKRLGVSADWENPY+TL P +EADQ+RVFGAMA+KGYIYRGA
 45 Sbjct: 121 LEMCRQYALSQVDKQRDDFKRLGVSADWENPYVTLDPQFEADQIRVFGAMAEKGYIYRGA 180

Query: 181 KPVYWSWSSESALAEAEIEYHDIDSTSLYYANKVKDGKGILDTDYIVVWTTTPFTVTAS 240
 KPVYWSWSSESALAEAEIEYHDIDSTSLYYANKVKDGKGILDT+TYIVVWTTTPFTVTAS
 50 Sbjct: 181 KPVYWSWSSESALAEAEIEYHDIDSTSLYYANKVKDGKGILDTNTYIVVWTTTPFTVTAS 240

Query: 241 RGLTVGPDMYVYVVPVGSERKYLAEVLVDSLAAKFGWENFEIVTHHTGKELNHIVTEH 300
 RGLTVGPDM+Y+VVP GS+R+Y++AE L+DSL A KFGWE+FE + H G +L +IVTEH
 55 Sbjct: 241 RGLTVGPDMYLVVVKPAGSDRQYVVAEGLLDLSLAKFGWESFETLASHKCADLEYIVTEH 300

Query: 301 PWDTEVEELVILGDHVTITDSGTGIVHTAPGFGEDDYNVGIANGLDVVVTVDSRGLMMENA 360
 PWDT+VEELVILGDHVT +SGTIGIVHTAPGFGEDDYNVG L+V VTVD RGLMMENA
 60 Sbjct: 301 PWDTDVEELVILGDHVTILESGTGIVHTAPGFGEDDYNVGTKYKLEAVTVDERGLMMENA 360

Query: 361 GPDFEGQFYDKVTPLVKEKLGDLLEVINHSYPFDWRTKKPIIWRVAPQWFASVSKFR 420
 GPDF GQFY+KVTP+V +KLGDLLA EVINHSYPFDWRTKKPIIWRVAPQWFASVS FR
 65 Sbjct: 361 GPDFHGQFYNKVTPIVIDKLGDLLEVINHSYPFDWRTKKPIIWRVAPQWFASVSDFR 420

Query: 421 QEILDEIEKTNFQPEWGKKRLYNMIRDRGDWVISRQRAWGVPLPIFYAEDGTAIMTKEVT 480
 Q+ILDEIEKT F P WG+ RLYNMIRDRGDWVISRQRAWGVPLPIFYAEDGTAIMTKEVT
 Sbjct: 421 QDILDEIEKTTTFHPSWGETRLYNMIRDRGDWVISRQRAWGVPLPIFYAEDGTAIMTKEVT 480

Query: 481 DHVADLFAEYGSIVWQORDAKDLLPAGYTHFGSPNGLFEKETDIMDVWFDSSGSSWNGVMN 540

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          DHVADLF E GSI+WWQ++AKDLLP G+THPGSPNG F KETDIMDVWFDSGSSWNGVMN
Sbjct: 481 DHVADLFQENGSIWWQKEAKDLLPEGFTHPGSPNGEFTKETDIMDVWFDSGSSWNGVMN 540

5  Query: 541 ARENLSYPADLYLEGSDQYRGWFNSSLITSVAVNGHAPYKAVLSQGFVLDGKGEKMSKSL 600
      +ENLSYPADLYLEGSDQYRGWFNSSLITSVAVNGHAPYKA+LSQGFVLDGKGEKMSKS
Sbjct: 541 TKENLSYPADLYLEGSDQYRGWFNSSLITSVAVNGHAPYKA+LSQGFVLDGKGEKMSKSK 600

      GNTILPSDVKEQFGAEILRLWVTSVDSSNDVRISMILKQTSETYRKIRNTRLFLIANTS 660
10 Sbjct: 601 GNIISPNDVAKQYGADILRLWVASVDTNDNVRVSMELGQVSETYRKIRNTRLFLIANTS 660

      DFNPKQDAVAYENLGAVDRYMTIKFNQVVDITINKAYAAYDFMAIYKAVVNFVTVDLSEAFY 720
15 Sbjct: 661 DFNPKQDAVAYENLGAVDRYMTIKFNQVVDITINKAYAAYDFMAIYKAVVNFVTVDLSEAFY 720

      DFNPD VAY +LG VD+YMTI FNQ+V TI AY YDFMAIYKAVVNFVTVDLSEAFY
Sbjct: 661 DFNPDVAYADLGTVDKYMTIVFNQLVATITDAYERYDFMAIYKAVVNFVTVDLSEAFY 720

20 Query: 721 LDFAKDVVYIEAANSFERRRMQTVFYDILVKLTKLLTPILPHTAEIWSYLEHEEEEFVQ 780
      LDFAKDVVYIEAANS FERRRMQTVFYDILVK+TKLLTPILPHT EBIWSYLEHE E FVQ
Sbjct: 721 LDFAKDVVYIEAANSFERRRMQTVFYDILVKITKLLTPILPHTTEEIWSYLEHESEAFVQ 780

      LAEMPVAQTFSGQEBILEEWSAFMTLRTQAQKALEEARNAKVIGKSLEAHLTIYASQEVK 840
25 Query: 781 LAEMPVA+TFS QE+ILE WSAFMTLRTQAQKALEEARNAK+IGKSLEAHLTIYAS+EVK 840
      LAEMPVAETFSAQEDILEAWSAFMTLRTQAQKALEEARNAKIIGKSLEAHLTIYASEEVK 840
Sbjct: 781 LAEMPVAETFSAQEDILEAWSAFMTLRTQAQKALEEARNAKIIGKSLEAHLTIYASEEVK 840

      TLLTALNSDIALLMIVSQLTIADADKPADSVSFEGVAFVEHAEGEVCERSRRIDPTTK 900
30 Query: 841 TLLTAL+SDIALL+IVSQLTIAD AD PAD+V+FEGVAF VEHA GEVCERSRRIDPTT+ 900
      TLLTALDSIALLLIVSQLTIADLADAPADAVAFEGVAFIVEHAIGEVCERSRRIDPTTR 900
Sbjct: 841 TLLTALDSIALLLIVSQLTIADLADAPADAVAFEGVAFIVEHAIGEVCERSRRIDPTTR 900

      MRSYGVAVCDASAAIIEQYYPEAVAQGF 929
30 Sbjct: 901 MRSYGVAVCDASAAIIEQYYPEAVAQGF 929
      MRSY VCD SA IIE+ +PEAVA+GFE
Sbjct: 901 MRSYVAVCDHSAKIIEENFPEAVAEGFE 929

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 75

35 A DNA sequence (GBSx0075) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 247> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 248>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 39

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

40 ----- Final Results -----
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3425(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
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The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 249> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 250>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 32

50 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

      ----- Final Results -----
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3467(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
55      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 77/99 (77%), Positives = 89/99 (89%)

Query: 1 MRLINTTSSHPVLVRNQLQNTDAKLVEVYSAGNTDVVFTKAPKHYELLISNKYRAIKDEE 60
 MRLINTTSSHPEL++NQL+NTDA LVEVYSAGNTDV+FT+APKHYELLISNKYRAIK++E
 Sbjct: 1 MRLINTTSSHPELIKNQLKNTDAYLVEVYSAGNTDVIFTQAPKHYELLISNKYRAIKDEE 60

Query: 61 LEAIREFFLKRKIDQSIIIEQMKSLHTAKLIEISYPTT 99
 L+ IREFFLKRKID I+I Q K+LHT LIEIS+ T+
 Sbjct: 61 LDIIREFFLKRKIDPKIVIPGQSKTLHTNNLIEISFQTS 99

- 10 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 76

- 15 A DNA sequence (GBSx0076) was identified in *S. agalactiae* <SEQ ID 251> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 252>. This protein is predicted to be AP4A hydrolase. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 42

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

- 20 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1714(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

- 25 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAC06510 GB:AE000676 AP4A hydrolase [Aquifex aeolicus]
 Identities = 30/101 (29%), Positives = 48/101 (46%), Gaps = 2/101 (1%)

- 30 Query: 32 KIILVQAPNGAWFLPGGEIEENENHLEALTRELIEELGYSATIGHYYQADEYFYSRHRD 91
 +++L++ P+ W P G I E E E RE+ EE G I Y G+ Y+Y+ +
 Sbjct: 16 EVLLIKTFPSNVWSFPKGNIEPGKEPEETAVREVWEETGVKGEILDYIGET-HYWYTLKGE 74

- Query: 92 TYYNPAIYIEVTAYHKDQAPLEDFNHLAWFPPIQEAKEKLK 132
 + Y Y + + P + +FPPI+EAK+ LK
 35 Sbjct: 75 RIFKTVKY-YLMKYKEGEPRPSWEVKDAKFFPIKEAKLLK 114

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S. pyogenes* <SEQ ID 253> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 254>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 47

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

- 40 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1954(Affirmative) < succ>
 45 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 102/149 (68%), Positives = 118/149 (78%)

- 50 Query: 1 MTNPTFGEKIDNVNYSRFGVYAIIPNPHDKIILVQAPNGAWFLPGGEIEENENHLEAL 60
 M PTFG K + +Y +R+GVYAIIPN KIILVQAPNG+WFLPGGEIE E L+AL
 Sbjct: 1 MMIPTFGHKNHAKDYVTRYGVYAIIPNHEQTKIILVQAPNGSWFLPGGEIEAGEGQLQAL 60
- 55 Query: 61 TRELIEELGYSATIGHYYQADEYFYSRHRDITYYNPAIYIEVTAYHKDQAPLEDFNHLA 120
 RELIEELG+SATIG YYQADEYFYSRHRDT++Y+PAY+YEVTA+ PLEDFN+L
 Sbjct: 61 ERELIEELGFSATIGSYYGQADEYFYSRHRDTHFYHPAYLYEVTAFAVSKPLEDFNNLG 120

Query: 121 WFP IQEAK EKLKRGSHRWGVQAW EKNHHS 149
 WF EA KLKR SH+WGV+ W+K HHS
 Sbjct: 121 WFSPIEAI AKLKRESHQWGVKEWQKKHHS 149

- 5 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 77

- A DNA sequence (GBSx0077) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 255> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 256>. This protein is predicted to be ClpE (clpB-1). Analysis of this protein sequence
 10 reveals the following:

Possible site: 54

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

- 15 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2882 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

- 20 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAD01782 GB:AF023421 ClpE [Lactococcus lactis]
 Identities = 560/752 (74%), Positives = 647/752 (85%), Gaps = 12/752 (1%)

- Query: 1 MLCQNC KLN ESTIHL YTNVNGKQKQVDLCQNCYQI IKTD PNNPLF SGLNHVS-HAPGGIN 59
 MLCQNC +NE+TIHLYT+VNG++KQ+DLCQNCYQI+K+ LF N + ++ N
 Sbjct: 1 MLCQNCNINEATIHL YTSVNGQKKQIDLCQNCYQIMKSGGQEALFGAGNASNGNSDEPFN 60
- Query: 60 PFFDDFFGDLNNFRAFNGQDLPTPTQSGGNRGGGNGNRNNNRNQATATPSQAKGILEE 119
 PF +D F L + FNG TPPTQ+GG G N R Q KG+LEE
 Sbjct: 61 PF-NDIFSALQG-QDFNGAASNQTPTPTQGGRGPRGPQNPR-----AKQPKGMLLE 109
- Query: 120 FGINVTEIARHGDI DPVIGRDSEIIRVIEILNRRTKNNPVLIGEPGVGKTAVVEGLAQKI 179
 FGIN+TE AR G+IDPVIGRD EI RVIEILNRRTKNNPVLIGEPGVGKTAVVEGLAQKI
 Sbjct: 110 FGINITESARRGEIDPVIGRDEEIKRVIEILNRRTKNNPVLIGEPGVGKTAVVEGLAQKI 169
- Query: 180 VDG NVP HKLQ GKQVIRLDV VSLVQGTGIRGQFEERMQKLMEEIRQRQDVILFIDEIHEIV 239
 VDG+VP KLQ K+VIRLDV VSLVQGTGIRGQFEERMQKLM+EIR+R DVI+FIDEIHEIV
 Sbjct: 170 VDG DVPQKLQNK EVIRLDV VSLVQGTGIRGQFEERMQKLMDEIRK RNDVIMFIDEIHEIV 229
- Query: 240 GAGTAGEGSMDAGN ILKPALARGELQLVGATT LNEYRIIEKDAALERRMQPVKVDEPSVE 299
 GAG+AG+G+MDAGN ILKPALARGELQLVGATT LNEYRIIEKDAALERRMQPVKVDEPSV+
 Sbjct: 230 GAGSAGDGNMDAGN ILKPALARGELQLVGATT LNEYRIIEKDAALERRMQPVKVDEPSVD 289
- Query: 300 ETITILKGIQKKYEDYHHVKYNNDAIEAAVLSNRYIQDRFLPDKAIDLLDEAGSKMNL 359
 ETITIL+GIQ +YEDYHHVKY ++AIEAAA LSNRYIQDRFLPDKAIDLLDE+GSK NLT
 Sbjct: 290 ETITILRGIQARYEDYHHVKYTD E AIEAAHLSNRYIQDRFLPDKAIDLLDESGSKMNL 349
- Query: 360 LNFVDPKEIDQRLIEAENLKAQATREEDYERAA YFRDQIAKYKEMQQQKVDDQDTPITE 419
 L FVDP++I++R+ +AE+ K +AT+ ED+E+AA+FRDQI+K +E+Q+Q+V D+D P+ITE
 Sbjct: 350 LKFVDPEDINRRIADAESKKN EATKAEDFEKAAHFRDQISKLR ELQKQEVTD E DMPVITE 409
- Query: 420 KTIEHIIIEKTNIPVGD LKEKEQSQLINLADDLKQH VIGQDDAVVKIAKAI RRNRVGLGS 479
 K IE I+E+KT IPVGD LKEKEQ+QLINLADDLK HVIGQD+AV KI+KAIRR+RVGLG
 Sbjct: 410 KDIEQIVEQKTQIPVGD LKEKEQTQLINLADDLKAHVIGQDEAVDKISKAI RRSRVGLGK 469
- Query: 480 PNRPIGSFLFVGPTGVGKTEL SKQLAIELFGSADSMIRFDMSEYMEKHAVAKLVGAPPGY 539
 PNRPIG FLFVGPTGVGKTEL+KQLA ELFGS++SMIRFDMSEYMEKH+VAKL+GAPPGY
 Sbjct: 470 PNRPIGFFLFVGPTGVGKTELAKQLAKELFGSSES MIRFDMSEYMEKHSVAKLIGAPPGY 529
- Query: 540 VG YEEAGQLTEKVRNPYSLILLDEIEKAHPDVMHMF LQVLDDGRLTDQGRTVSFKDTI 599
 VG YEEAGQLTE+VRNPYSLILLDEIEKAHPDVMHMF LQ+L+DGRLTD QGRTVSFKD++

Sbjct: 530 VGYEEAGQLTERVRRNPFYSLILLDEIEKAHPDVMHMFLLQILEDGRLTDAQGRTVSFKDSL 589

Query: 600 IIMTSNAGSGKTEASVGFASREGRTNSVLGQLGNFFSPEFMNRFDGIIIEFKALDKENLL 659
IIMTSNAG+GK EASVGFGA+REGRT SVLGQLG+FFSPEFMNRFDGIIIEF AL KENLL

5 Sbjct: 590 IIMTSNAGTGKVEASVGFGAAREGRTKSVLGQLGDDFFSPEFMNRFDGIIIEFSALS KENLL 649

Query: 660 NIVDIMLSDVNARLAINGIHLVDVTDKVKELVDLGYDPKMGARPLRRTIQEHIEDAITDY 719
IVD+ML +VN ++ N IHL VT KEKLVDLGY+P MGARPLRR IQE+IED+I D+

10 Sbjct: 650 KIVDLMLDEVNEQIGRNDIHLVSTQAAKEKLVDLGYNPAMGARPLRRIIQENIEDSIADF 709

Query: 720 YLENPSEKELRAIMTSNGNIIKSSKKEEST 751
Y+E+P K+L A + + +I +++T E+T

Sbjct: 710 YIEHPEYKQLVADLIDDKIVISNQTQETARTT 741

- 15 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 257> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 258>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 43

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3104(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 640/751 (85%), Positives = 691/751 (91%), Gaps = 7/751 (0%)

Query: 1 MLCQNCKLNESTIHLYTNVNGKQKQVDLCQNCYQIIKTDPNNPLFSGLNHVSHAPG-GIN 59
MLCQNC LNESTIHLYT+VNGKQ+QVDLCQNCYQI+K+DP N + +GL A +

30 Sbjct: 1 MLCQNCNLNESTIHLYTSVNGKQKQVDLCQNCYQIMKSDPANSILNGLTPGYRAQDRSTS 60

Query: 60 PFFDDFFGDLNNFRAFNGQDLNPPTPPTQSGNGRGGGNGRNNNRNQTATPS----QAKG 115
PFFDDFFGDLNNFRAF +LPNTPTTQ+G N GG G N N + A P QAKG

35 Sbjct: 61 PFFDDFFGDLNNFRAF--NLPNTPTTQAGQNGNGGGRYGNGYNGQRAQPQTPNQAKG 118

Query: 116 LLEEFGINVTEIARHGDIIDPVIGRDEIRVIEILNRRTKNNPVLIGEPGVGKTAVVEGL 175
+LLEEFGINVT+IAR+G+IDPVIGRD EI RVIEILNRRTKNNPVLIGEPGVGKTAVVEGL

40 Sbjct: 119 LLEEFGINVTDIARNGNIDPVIGRDEBITRVIEILNRRTKNNPVLIGEPGVGKTAVVEGL 178

Query: 176 AQKIVDGNVPHKLQKQVIRLDVVS LVQGTGIRGQFEERMQKLMEEIRQRQDVILFIDEI 235
AQKI+DG VP KLQKQVIRLDVVS LVQGTGIRGQFEERMQKLMEEIR R+DVILFIDEI

Sbjct: 179 AQKIIDGTVPQKLQKQVIRLDVVS LVQGTGIRGQFEERMQKLMEEIRNRKDVILFIDEI 238

45 Query: 236 HEIVGAGTAGEGSMDAGNILKPALARGELQLVGATT LNEYRIIEKDAALERRMQPVKVDE 295
HEIVGAG+AG+G+MDAGNILKPALARGELQLVGATT LNEYRIIEKDAALERRMQPVKVDE

Sbjct: 239 HEIVGAGSAGDGNMDAGNILKPALARGELQLVGATT LNEYRIIEKDAALERRMQPVKVDE 298

50 Query: 296 PSVEETITILKGIQKYEDYHHVKYNDAIEAAAVLSNRYIQDRFLPDKAIDLLDEAGSK 355
PSVEETITILKGIQ KYEDYHHVKY+ AIEAAA LSNRYIQDRFLPDKAIDLLDEAGSK

Sbjct: 299 PSVEETITILKGIQPKYEDYHHVKYSPAAIEAAAHLSNRYIQDRFLPDKAIDLLDEAGSK 358

Query: 356 MNLTILNFVDPKEIDQRLIEAENLKAQATREEDYERAAAYFRDQIAKYKEMQQQKVDQDTP 415
MNLTILNFVDPKEID+RLIEAENLKAQATR+EDYERAAAYFRDQI KYKEMQ QKVD+QD P

55 Sbjct: 359 MNLTILNFVDPKEIDKRLIEAENLKAQATREEDYERAAAYFRDQITKYKEMQAQKVDQDIP 418

Query: 416 IITEKTIEHIEEKTNI PVGDLKEKEQSQLINLADDLKQHVIGQDDAVVKIAKAI RRNRV 475
IITEKTIE I+E+KTNI PVGDLKEKEQSQL+NLA+DLK HVIGQDDAV KIAKAI RRNRV

60 Sbjct: 419 IITEKTIEAIVEQKTNI PVGDLKEKEQSQLVNLANDLKAHVIGQDDAVDKIAKAI RRNRV 478

Query: 476 GLGSPNRPFGSFLFVGPTGVGKTEL SKQLAIELFGSADSMIRFDMSEYMEKHAVAKLVGA 535
GLG+PNRPIG SFLFVGPTGVGKTEL SKQLAIELFGS ++MIRFDMSEYMEKHAVAKLVGA

Sbjct: 479 GLGTPNRPFGSFLFVGPTGVGKTEL SKQLAIELFGSTNNMIRFDMSEYMEKHAVAKLVGA 538

65 Query: 536 PPGYVGYEEAGQLTEKVRNPFYSLILLDEIEKAHPDVMHMFLLQVLDGRLTDGQGRVTSF 595

PPGY+GYEEAGQLTE+VRRNPYSLILLDE+EKAHPDVMHMFQVLDDGRLTDGQGRVTSF
 Sbjct: 539 PPGYIGYEEAGQLTEQVRRNPYSLILLDEVEKAHPDVMHMFQVLDDGRLTDGQGRVTSF 598
 Query: 596 KDTIIIMTSNAGSGKTEASVGFASREGRITNSVLGQLGNFFSPEFMNRFDGIIIEFKALDK 655
 5 KDTIIIMTSNAG+GK+EASVGFGA+REGRT+SVLG+L NFFSPEFMNRFDGIIIEFKAL K
 Sbjct: 599 KDTIIIMTSNAGTGKSEASVGFGAAREGRTSSVLGELSNFFSPEFMNRFDGIIIEFKALSK 658
 Query: 656 ENLLNIVDIMLSDVNARLAINGIHLVDVTDKVKEKLVLDLGYDPKMGARPLRRTIQEHIEDA 715
 E+LL+IVD+ML DVN RL NGIHLVDVTD KVKEKLVLDLGYDPKMGARPLRRTIQ++IEDA
 10 Sbjct: 659 EHLLHIVDLMLEDVNRLGYNGIHLVDVTDKVKEKLVLDLGYDPKMGARPLRRTIQDYIEDA 718
 Query: 716 ITDYYLENPSEKELRAIMTSNGNIIKSSKK 746
 ITDYYLE+P+EK+LRA+MT++ NI IK+ K+
 Sbjct: 719 ITDYYLEHPTEKQLRALMTNSENITIKAVKE 749
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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 78

A DNA sequence (GBSx0078) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 259> which encodes the amino acid
 20 sequence <SEQ ID 260>. This protein is predicted to be glutamine ABC transporter, permease protein
 (glnP). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 61
 >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
 25 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -9.92 Transmembrane 27 - 43 (15 - 46)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -2.50 Transmembrane 200 - 216 (196 - 217)
 ----- Final Results -----
 30 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4970(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9619> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9620> was also identified.

35 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAB91000 GB:AE001090 glutamine ABC transporter, permease protein
 (glnP) [Archaeoglobus fulgidus]
 Identities = 92/209 (44%), Positives = 129/209 (61%), Gaps = 10/209 (4%)
 40 Query: 17 YGVMVTIMISTCVVFFGTIIIGVLIALVKRTNLHFLTILANFYVWVFRGTPMVVQIMIAFA 76
 +G VI+ ++ +FFG IIG + L + + ++ YV V RGTP++VQI+I +
 Sbjct: 21 FGASVTLKLTLISIFFGLIIGTLAGLGRVSKNPLPFAISTAYVEVIRGTPLLVQILIVYF 80
 Query: 77 WMHFNLLPTISFGVLDLDFTRLLPGIIISLNSGAYISEIVRAGIEAVPSGQIEAAYSLG 136
 45 LP I + GII +S+ SGAYI+EIVRAGIE++P GQ+EAA SLG
 Sbjct: 81 -----GLPAIGINLQPEP-----AGIIALSICSGAYIAETVRAGIESIPIGQMEARS LG 130
 Query: 137 IRPKNTLRYVILPQAFKNILPALGNEFITIIKDSALLQTIGVMELWNGAQSVVTATYSPV 196
 + +RYVI PQAF+NILPALGNEFI ++KDS+LL I ++EL + +V T++
 50 Sbjct: 131 MTYLOAMRYVIFPQAFRNILPALGNEFIALKDSLLSVISIVELTRVGRQIVNTTFFNAW 190
 Query: 197 APLLFAAFYYLMLTTILSALLKQMEKYL 225
 P L A +YLM+T LS L+ +K LG
 Sbjct: 191 TPFLGVALFYLMMTIPLSRLVAYSQKKLG 219
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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 261> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 262>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 30

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>>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -9.08    Transmembrane    25 - 41 ( 11 - 44)
INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -1.91    Transmembrane    202 - 218 ( 201 - 218)

----- Final Results -----
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4630(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

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>GP:AAB91000 GB:AE001090 glutamine ABC transporter, permease protein
(glnP) [Archaeoglobus fulgidus]
Identities = 91/209 (43%), Positives = 138/209 (65%), Gaps = 12/209 (5%)

Query: 15 YGVLVTIMISVSVVFFGTLIGVLVTLIKRSVHKPLTWVNL-YVWIFRGTPMVVQIMIAF 73
+G VT+ +++ +FFG +IG + L + S PL + ++ YV + RGTP++VQI+I +
Sbjct: 21 FGASVTLKLTLSIFFGLIIGTIAGLRVSK-NPLPFAISTAYVEVIRGTPLLVQILIVY 79

Query: 74 AWMHFNNMPTIGFGVLDLDFSRLLPGLIIISLNSGAYISEIVRAGIEAVPKGQLEAAYSL 133
+P IG ++ GII +S+ SGAYI+EIVRAGIE++P GQ+EAA SL
Sbjct: 80 F-----GLPAIG-----INLQPEPAGIIALSICSGAYIAEIVRAGIESIPIGQMEAAARSL 129

Query: 134 GIRPQNAMRYVILPQAFKNILPALGNEFITIIKDSALLQTIGVMELWNGAQSVMVATYSP 193
G+ AMRYVI PQAF+NILPALGNEFI ++KDS+LL I ++EL + +V T++
Sbjct: 130 GMTYQLAMRYVIFPQAFRNILPALGNEFIALKDSLLSVISIVELTRVGRQIVNTTFNA 189

Query: 194 ISPLLVAIFYLMVTTVMAQLLAVLERHM 222
+P L A +YLM+T +++L+A ++ +
Sbjct: 190 WTPFLGVALFYLMMTIPLSRLVAYSQKKL 218

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

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Identities = 180/225 (80%), Positives = 208/225 (92%)

Query: 3 MNFSFLPQYWSYFNYGVMVTIMISTCVVFFGTIIGVLIALVKRTNLHFLTILANFYVWVF 62
M+ SFLP+YW+YFNYGV+VTIMIS VVFFGT+IGVL+ L+KR+++ LT + N YVW+F
Sbjct: 1 MDLSFLPKYWAYFNYGVLVTIMISVSVVFFGTLIGVLVTLIKRSVHKPLTWVNLVYVWIF 60

Query: 63 RGTMPVVQIMIAFAWMHFNNLPTISFGVLDLDFTRLLPGIIIIISLNSGAYISEIVRAGIE 122
RGTMPVVQIMIAFAWMHFNN+PTI FGVLDLDF+RLLPGIIIIISLNSGAYISEIVRAGIE
Sbjct: 61 RGTMPVVQIMIAFAWMHFNNMPTIGFGVLDLDFSRLLPGLIIIIISLNSGAYISEIVRAGIE 120

Query: 123 AVPSGQIEAAYSLGIRPKNTLRVILPQAFKNILPALGNEFITIIKDSALLQTIGVMELW 182
AVP GQ+EAAAYSLGIRP+N +RYVILPQAFKNILPALGNEFITIIKDSALLQTIGVMELW
Sbjct: 121 AVPKGQLEAAYSLGIRPQNAMRYVILPQAFKNILPALGNEFITIIKDSALLQTIGVMELW 180

Query: 183 NGAQSVVIATYSPVAPLLFAAFYYLMLTITLSALLKQMEKYLKGG 227
NGAQSVVIATYSP++PLL AAFYYLM+TT+++ LL +E+++ +G
Sbjct: 181 NGAQSVVIATYSPISPLLVAIFYLMVTTVMAQLLAVLERHMAQG 225

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 79

A DNA sequence (GBSx0079) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 263> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 264>. This protein is predicted to be phosphomannomutase (manB). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 60

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

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----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.5400(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9621> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9622> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

10 >GP:BA04825 GB:AP001510 phosphomannomutase [Bacillus halodurans]
 Identities = 239/548 (43%), Positives = 344/548 (62%), Gaps = 14/548 (2%)

Query: 4 MNYKEIQEWLENDLSLGKDIKSDLEAIKGDSEIQDRFYKTLEFGTAGLRGKLGAGTNRM 63
 M++++ Y++W + L ++K LEAI GDE +++D FYK LEFGT G+RG++G G NRM
 15 Sbjct: 1 MSWRQRYEKWKGFNELELELKQSLEAIGGDEQQLEDCFYKNLEFGTGGMRGEIGPGPNRM 60

Query: 64 NTYMGVGAQAALANTIIDHGPEAIARGIAVSVDVRYQSKEFAELTCSIMAANGIKSYIYK 123
 NTY + KA++ A +++ G A+G+ ++YD R++S EFA + +GIK+Y+++
 20 Sbjct: 61 NYYTIRKASEGFARYLLEQGEHVKAQGVVIAYDSRHKSPEFAREAALTIGKHGKIKAYLFE 120

Query: 124 GIRPTPMCSYAIRALGCVSGVMTASHNPQAYNGYKAYWKEGSQLDDIADQIANHMDAI 183
 +RPTP S+A+R LG G++ITASHNP YNG+K Y +G Q+ + A+++ ++ I
 25 Sbjct: 121 ELRPTPELSFAVRKLGAAAGGIVITASHNPPEYNGFKVYSGDGCQLPPEPANRLVKFVNEI 180

Query: 184 TDYQQIKQIPFEEALASGSASYIDESIEEAYKKEVLGLTINDTNID---KSVRVVYTPLN 240
 D I E +G+ I E ++ AY + + + +N ++ K VR+V+TPL+
 30 Sbjct: 181 EDELVIPVGDERELKENGTELEMIGEVDVAYHEALKTIIVNPELLEASAKDVRIVFTPLH 240

Query: 241 GVGNLFPVREVLRRRGFENVYVVPBQEMPDPDFTTVGYPNPEVPKAFAYSESLGKSVDADI 300
 G NLPVR VL GFENV VV EQE+PDP F+TV PNPE AFA + GK +AD+
 35 Sbjct: 241 GTANLPVRRVLEAVGFENVTVVKEQELPDPQFSTVKAPNPEEHAFAFALAEYGGKTEADV 300

Query: 301 LLATDPDCDRVALEVKDSKGEYIFLNGNKIGALLSYIIFSQRCAIPLPHHPVLVKSIVT 360
 L+ATDPD DRV + V++ GEYI L GN+ G L+ +Y+ SQ+ G LP + + +K+IVT
 40 Sbjct: 301 LIATDPDADRVGVAVQVQAGEYIVLTGNQTGGLMLHYLLSQKKEGQLPVNGIALKTIIVT 360

Query: 361 GDLSKVIADKYNIEVETLTGFKNICGKANEYDISKDKTYLFGYEESSIGFCYGTFFVRDKD 420
 + + IA+ + I V+TLTGFK I K EY+ S + +LFGYEESS G+ G FVRDKD
 45 Sbjct: 361 SEFGRAIAEDFGIPMVDTLTGFKFIGEKIKEYEQSGEHQFLFGYEESSYGLIGDFVRDKD 420

Query: 421 AVSASMMVVENTAYYKERGQTLDDVLQTIYDKFGYNERQFSLELEGAEGQERISRIMED 480
 AV A ++ EMTAYYK RG TL D L ++D++GYE E S+ L+G G E+I ++
 50 Sbjct: 421 AVQACLLAAEMTAYYKSRGMTLYDGLLELFDYRGYREGTSLITLKGKVGVEKIQHVLSQ 480

Query: 481 FRQDPILQVGEMTLENSIDFKDGYK-----DFPKQNCCLKYFNEGSWYALRPSG 529
 FRQ P QV + + D++ K P N LKY +GSW+ LRPSSG
 55 Sbjct: 481 FRQSPPKQVNDQQVVIEDYQTEKVKSVKERTVEAITLPTS NVLKYMLEDGSWFCLRPSG 540

Query: 530 TEPKIKCY 537
 TEPK+K Y
 60 Sbjct: 541 TEPKLIY 548

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 265> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 266>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 35

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>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.5497(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 470/564 (83%), Positives = 517/564 (91%)

Query: 1 MSHMNYKEIYQEWLENDLGLKDIKSDLEAIKGDSEIQDRFYKTLEFGTAGLRGKLGAGT 60
 MS+M Y E+YQEWL N+ L DIK+DL AIK +E+EIQDRFYKTLEFGTAGLRGKLGAGT
 5 Sbjct: 1 MSNMTYNEVYQEWLHNDLSDDIKADLAAIKDNEAIQDRFYKTLEFGTAGLRGKLGAGT 60

Query: 61 NRMNTYVMGKAAQALANTIIDHGPEAIARGIAVSVDVRYQSKEFAELTCSIMAANGIKSY 120
 NRMNTYVMGKAAQALANTIIDHGPEA+ +GIAVSVDVRYQS+ FAELTCSIMAANGIK+Y
 10 Sbjct: 61 NRMNTYVMGKAAQALANTIIDHGPEAVKKGIAVSVDVRYQSRTFAELTCSIMAANGIKAY 120

Query: 121 IYKGIRPTPMCSYAIRALGCVSGVMITASHNPQAYNGYKAYWKEGSQILDDIADQIANHM 180
 +YKGIRPTPMCSYAIRALGC+SGVMITASHNPQAYNGYKAYW+EGSQILDDIADQIA HM
 Sbjct: 121 LYKGIRPTPMCSYAIRALGCISGVMITASHNPQAYNGYKAYWQEGSQILDDIADQIAQHM 180

Query: 181 DAITDYQQIKQIPFEEALASGSASYIDESIEEAYKKEVLGLTINDTNIDKSVRVVYTPLN 240
 A+T YQ+IKQ+PFE+AL SG +YIDESIEEAYKKEVLGLTINDT+IDKSVRVVYTPLN
 15 Sbjct: 181 AALTQYQEIKQMPFEKALDSGLVITYIDESIEEAYKKEVLGLTINDTIDKSVRVVYTPLN 240

Query: 241 GVGNLVPREVLRRRGFENVYVVEQEMPDPDFTTVGYPNPEVPKAFAYSESLGKSVDAI 300
 GVGNLVPREVLRRRGFENVYVVEQEMPDPDFTTVGYPNPEVPK FAYSE LGK+VDADI
 20 Sbjct: 241 GVGNLVPREVLRRRGFENVYVVEQEMPDPDFTTVGYPNPEVPKTFAYSEKLGKAVDAI 300

Query: 301 LLATDPDCDRVALEVKDSKGEYIFLNGNKIGALLSYIIFSQRCALGNLPHHPVLVKSIVT 360
 L+ATDPDCDRVALEVK++ G+Y+FLNGNKIGALLSYIIFSQR LGNLP +PVLVKSIVT
 25 Sbjct: 301 LIATDPDCDRVALEVKNVAGDYVFLNGNKIGALLSYIIFSQRFDLGNLPANPVLVKSIVT 360

Query: 361 GDLSKVIADKYNITVETLTGFKNICGKANEYDISKDKTYLFGYEESIGFCYGTFFVRDKD 420
 GDLS+ IA Y IETVETLTGFKNICGKANEYD++K K YLFGYEESIGFCYGTFFVRDKD
 30 Sbjct: 361 GDLSRAIASHYGIETVETLTGFKNICGKANEYDVKQKNYLFGEESIGFCYGTFFVRDKD 420

Query: 421 AVSASMMVEMTAYYKERGQTLQIYDKFGYNERQFSLELEGAEGQERISRIMED 480
 AVSASMM+VEM AYYK++GQ LLDVLQTIY FGYYNERQ +LELEG EGQ+RI+RIMED
 Sbjct: 421 AVSASMMIVEMAAYYKKKQNLQIYATFGYYNERQIALELEGQKRIARIMED 480

Query: 481 FRQDPILQVGEMTLENSIDFKDGYKDFPKQNLKYFNEGSWYALRPSGTEPKIKCYLYT 540
 FRQ PI V EM L+ +IDF DGY+DFPKQNLK+Y ++GSWYALRPSGTEPKIK YLYT
 35 Sbjct: 481 FRQTPIASVAEMALDKTIDFIDGYQDFPKQNLKPYLDDGSWYALRPSGTEPKIKFYLYT 540

Query: 541 IGCTEADSLSKLNAIESACRAKMN 564
 IG T+ +S +KL+AIE+ACR K+N
 40 Sbjct: 541 IGQTQENSATKLDATIAACRTKIN 564

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

45 Example 80

A DNA sequence (GBSx0080) was identified in *S. agalactiae* <SEQ ID 267> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 268>. This protein is predicted to be methylenetetrahydrofolate dehydrogenase (fold). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 48
 50 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.4672(Affirmative) < succ>
 55 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAC44612 GB:U58210 tetrahydrofolate dehydrogenase/cyclohydrolase
 60 [Streptococcus thermophilus]
 Identities = 209/282 (74%), Positives = 248/282 (87%)

Query: 1 MTELIDGKALSQKMQAELGRKVERLKEQHGIIPGLAVILVGDNPASQVYVRNKERSALEA 60
 M ++DGKAL+ MQ +L KV RLKE+ I+PGL VI+VG+NPASQVYVRNKER+A +A
 Sbjct: 1 MAIIMDGKALAVNMQEQLEKVARLKEKEWIVPGLVVMVGENPASQVYVRNKERAACKA 60
 Query: 61 GFKSETLRLSESISQEELIDIIHQYNEDKSIHGILVQLPLPQHINDKKIILAIDPKKDVD 120
 GF S+T+ LSESIS+EELI++I +YN++ HGILVQLPLP HIN+ +I+LAIDPKKDVD
 Sbjct: 61 GFHSKTVNLSESISBEELIEVIEKYNNPLPHGILVQLPLPNHINEMRILLAIDPKKDVD 120
 Query: 121 GFHPMNTGHLWSGRPMMPCTPAGIMEMFREYHVDLEGKHAVIIGRSNIVGKPMQALLLD 180
 GFHPMNTG+LW+GRP MVPCTPAGIME+ REY+V+LEGK AVIIGRSNIVGKPMQALLL+
 Sbjct: 121 GFHPMNTGNLWNGRPQMVCTPAGIMEILREYNVELEGKTAVIIGRSNIVGKPMQALLLE 180
 Query: 181 KNATVTTLTHSRTRLSEVTKEADILIVAIGQGHFVTKDFVKEGAVVIDVGMNRDENGKLI 240
 KNATVTTLTHSRT +L++V +AD+LIVAIG+ FVT++FVKEGAVVIDVG+NRDE GKL
 Sbjct: 181 KNATVTTLTHSRTPHLAKVCNKADVILIVAIGRAKFVTEEFVKEGAVVIDVGINRDEGKLC 240
 Query: 241 GDVVFEQVAEVASMITPVPGGVGPMTITMLLEQTYQAALRSV 282
 GDV F+QV E SMITPVPGGVGPMTITML+EQTYQAALRS+
 Sbjct: 241 GDVDFDQVKEKVSMTIPVPGVGPMTITMLMEQTYQAALRSL 282

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 269> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 270>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 22
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3368 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 230/281 (81%), Positives = 257/281 (90%)
 Query: 1 MTELIDGKALSQKMQAELGRKVERLKEQHGIIPGLAVILVGDNPASQVYVRNKERSALEA 60
 MTELIDGKAL+QKMQ EL KV LK++ GI+PGLAVILVGD+PASQVYVRNKER+AL
 Sbjct: 3 MTELIDGKALAQKMQQELAACKVNNLKKQKGI VPGGLAVILVGD+PASQVYVRNKERAALTV 62
 Query: 61 GFKSETLRLSESISQEELIDIIHQYNEDKSIHGILVQLPLPQHINDKKIILAIDPKKDVD 120
 GFKSET+RLSE I QEELI +I +YN D +IHGILVQLPLP HINDKKIILAIDPKKDVD
 Sbjct: 63 GFKSETVRLSEFICQEELIAVIERYNADNTIHGILVQLPLPNHINDKKIILAIDPKKDVD 122
 Query: 121 GFHPMNTGHLWSGRPMMPVCTPAGIMEMFREYHVDLEGKHAVIIGRSNIVGKPMQALLLD 180
 GFHPMNTGHLWSGRP+MVPCTP+GIME+ REY+V+LEGKHAVIIGRSNIVGKPMQALLLD
 Sbjct: 123 GFHPMNTGHLWSGRPLMVPCTP+SGIME+LLREYNVNLEGGKHAVIIGRSNIVGKPMQALLLD 182
 Query: 181 KNATVTTLTHSRTRLSEVTKEADILIVAIGQGHFVTKDFVKEGAVVIDVGMNRDENGKLI 240
 KNATVTTLTHSRTR L EV + AD+LIVAIGQGHF+TK ++K+GA+VIDVGMNRD+NGKLI
 Sbjct: 183 KNATVTTLTHSRTRQLEEVCRCADVLIVAIGQGHF+TKQYIKDGAIVIDVGMNRDDNGKLI 242
 Query: 241 GDVVFEQVAEVASMITPVPGGVGPMTITMLLEQTYQAALRS 281
 GDV F++VAEVA+ ITPVGGVGPMTI MLLEQTYQ+ALRS
 Sbjct: 243 GDVAFDEVAEVAAKITPVPGGVGPMTIAMLLEQTYQSALRS 283

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 81

A DNA sequence (GBSx0081) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 271> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 272>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 39

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -3.24 Transmembrane 39 - 55 (38 - 58)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.2296(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9623> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9624> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAC44613 GB:U58210 orf1091 [Streptococcus thermophilus]

Identities = 149/277 (53%), Positives = 191/277 (68%)

Query: 1 MIVGEQEARALIKPRPKSSHKG DYGSVLLIGGFYFYGGAI IMAALACVKTGAGLVTVATQ 60

M V + R +I+PR + SHKG YG VLL+GG YFYGGAI IMAA+ACV +GAGLVTVAT

Sbjct: 1 MKVDDDLVRQVIRPRLRGSHKGSYGRVLLVGGLYFYGGAI IMAAIACVNSGAGLVTVATD 60

Query: 61 SCNIPSLHSQLEPVMAFDSDDYKWLKESIVQSDVIVIGPGLGVSESSRKILNQTMKIQS 120

NI +LH+ LPE MAFD + + + +DVI+IG GLG E++ L + I+S

Sbjct: 61 RENIIALHAHLPEAMAFDLRETERFLDKLRAADVILIGSGLGEEETADWALELVIANIRS 120

Query: 121 HQSVILDGSAITLLSEGAFFQTKAKNLVLTTPHQKEWERLSGIAVSQQTKENTQTALKSFP 180

+Q++++DGSAL LL++ +L+LTPHQKEWERLSG+A+S+Q+ NTQ AL+ F

Sbjct: 121 NQNLVVDGSAI LNLAKKNQSSLPKCHLILTTPHQKEWERLSGLAISEQSVSNTQRALEEFQ 180

Query: 181 KGTILVAKSSSHTRIFQDLDEKEIIVGGPYQATGGMGDTLCGMIAGMLAQFKEASPLDKVS 240

GTILVAKS T ++Q + + VGGPYQATGGMGDTL GM+AG LAQF V

Sbjct: 181 SGTILVAKSHKTAVYQGAETHLEVGGPYQATGGMGDTLAGMVAGFLAQFASTDSYKAVI 240

Query: 241 VGVYLHSAIAQGLSKEAYVVLPTTISDEIPKEMARLS 277

V +LHSAIA +++ AYVVLPT IS IP M +LS

Sbjct: 241 VATWLHSAIADNIAENAYVVLPTTRISKAIPSWMKKLS 277

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

SEQ ID 272 (GBS413) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 79 (lane 2; MW 34.2kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 171 (lane 7; MW 59kDa).

GBS413-GST was purified as shown in Figure 218, lane 12.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 82

A DNA sequence (GBSx0082) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 273> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 274>. This protein is predicted to be Exonuclease VII large subunit (xseA). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 36

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3172(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

5 >GP:CAB14361 GB:Z99116 similar to exodeoxyribonuclease VII (large
subunit) [Bacillus subtilis]
Identities = 193/446 (43%), Positives = 283/446 (63%), Gaps = 10/446 (2%)

Query: 4 YLSVSTLTLYLKLKFDKDPYLERVYLTGQVSNFR-RRPNHQYFSLKDDKSVIQATMWSGH 62
Y++VS LTKY+K KFD DP+LE +++ G++SN + H YF+LK+ K +Q+ M++
10 Sbjct: 6 YVTVSALTLYIKRKFDVDPHLENIWIKGELSNVKKIHTRGHIYFTLKERKGRMQSVMFARQ 65

Query: 63 FKKLGFEELEGMKVNVRVQLYEPSPSGSYSIIVEKAEPDGIGALAIQFEQLKKKLSQAGY 122
++L F+ E GMKV V G + +YEPSC+Y + ++ +PDG+GAL + +E+LKKKL+ G
15 Sbjct: 66 SERLFFKFPENGMKVLVRGGISVYEPSPSGNYQLYAKEMQPDGVGALYLAEEELKKKLAGEGL 125

Query: 123 FDDRHKQLIPQFVRKIGVVTSPSGAVIRDIITTVSRRFPQVEILLFPTKVQGEAAQEA 182
FDDR+K+ IP F IGVVTSP+GA +RD+ITT+ RR+P V++++ P VQGE A++ I
20 Sbjct: 126 FDDRYKKQIPAFPATIGVVTSPSGAAVRDVITTLKRRYPLVKVIVLPAIVQGENASRSIV 185

Query: 183 QTIALANEKKDLDLLIVGRGGGSIEDLWAFNEECVVEAIFESRLPVISSVGHETDITLAD 242
I ANEK+ D+LIVGRGGGSIE+LWAFNEE V AIF S +P+IS+VGHETD T++D
25 Sbjct: 186 TRIEANEKEICDVLIVGRGGGSIEELWAFNEEIVARAIFASNIPISAVGHETDFTISD 245

Query: 243 FVADRRATPTAAAEELATPVTIKIDILSWITERENRMYQSSRLRLRTKEERLQKSKQSVIF 302
FVAD RAATPT AAE+A P T D++ E RM ++ + + ++ R+Q + S F
30 Sbjct: 246 FVADIRAAATPTGAEEIAPVHT-TDLIERTKTAEVRMTRAMQQLHGLQEKGRITQLQSSYAF 304

Query: 303 RQPERLYDGLFQKLD---NLNQQLTYSMRDKLQTVRQKQGLLHQKLQGLDLKQRIHIYQ 358
R P+RLY Q+ D QLT + K + + ++ L LKQ YQ
35 Sbjct: 305 RFPKRLYAQKEQQQFDLAYQQFQAQLTALLDRKSRLERETRYLEALHPHEQLKQARTRYQ 364

Query: 359 ERVQSRRLSSMTSQYDSKLARFEKAQDALISLSSRIVARGYAIIEKNHTLVSTTNG 418
E+ Q R+ M Q ++F+ L +L +++ RGY++ K L+ + +
40 Sbjct: 365 EQTNQLRK---NMNIQMKQLHSQFQTVLGLKLNALSPLQVMERGYSLAYKEDKLIKSVSQ 420

Query: 419 INEGDHLQVKMQDGLLEVEVKDVRQE 444
I E D L++K++DG+L EV + R E
45 Sbjct: 421 IEEQDRLEIKLKDGLTCEVLEKRGE 446

40 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 275> which encodes the amino acid
sequence <SEQ ID 276>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 61

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3275 (Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

50 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 321/446 (71%), Positives = 386/446 (85%)

55 Query: 1 MSDYLSVSTLTLYLKLKFDKDPYLERVYLTGQVSNFRRRPNHQYFSLKDDKSVIQATMWS 60
M+DYL+V+ LTKYLKLKFD+DPYLERVYLTGQVSNFR+RP HQYFSLKD+ +VIQATMW+
Sbjct: 6 MADYLTVTHTLTLYLKLKFDKDPYLERVYLTGQVSNFRKRP HQYFSLKDESAVIQATMWA 65

Query: 61 GHFKLGFEELEGMKVNVRVQLYEPSPSGSYSIIVEKAEPDGIGALAIQFEQLKKKLSQA 120
G +KKLGF+LEEGMK+NV+GRVQLYEPSPSGSYSI++EKAEPDGIGALA+QFEQLKKKL+
60 Sbjct: 66 GVKYKLGFDLEEGMKINVIGRVQLYEPSPSGSYSIVIEKAEPDGIGALALQFEQLKKKLTA 125

Query: 121 GYFDDRHKQLIPQFVRKIGVVTSPSGAVIRDIITTVSRRFPQVEILLFPTKVQGEAAQ 180
GYF+ +HKQ +PQFV KIGV+TSPSGAVIRDIITTVSRRFPQVEILLFPTKVQG+GAAQ
Sbjct: 126 GYFEBQKHQPLPQFVSKIGVITSPSGAVIRDIITTVSRRFPQVEILLFPTKVQGDGAAQ 185

Query: 181 IAQTIALANEKKDLLIVGRGGGSIEDLWAFNEECVVEAIFESRLPVISSVGHETDTTL 240
 + I AN+++DLDLLIVGRGGGSIEDLWAFNEE VV+AIFES+LPVISSVGHETDTTL
 Sbjct: 186 VVANIRRRANQREDLDLLIVGRGGGSIEDLWAFNEEIVVQAIFESQLPVISSVGHETDTTL 245

Query: 241 ADFVADRRRAATPTAAAEELATPVTKIDILSWITERENRMYQSSLRRLRTKEERLQKSKQSV 300
 ADFVADRRRAATPTAAAEELATP+TK D++SWI ER+NR YQ+ LR I+ ++E + K QSV
 Sbjct: 246 ADFVADRRRAATPTAAAEELATPITKTDLMSWIVERQNRSYQACLRRIKQRQEWVDKLSQSV 305

Query: 301 IFRQPERLYDGFLLQKLDNLNQQLTYSMRDKLQTVRQKQGLLHQKIQGIDLKQRIHIYQER 360
 IFRQPERLYD +LQK+D L+ L +M+D+L + ++ + L L L+ +I YQ+R
 Sbjct: 306 IFRQPERLYDAYLQKIDRLSMTLMNTMKDRLSAKENKVQLDHALANSQLQTKIERYQDR 365

Query: 361 VVQSRRLSSTMTSQYDSKLARFEKAQDALISLDSSRIVARGYAIIEKNHTLVSTTNGIN 420
 V ++RLL + M SQYDS+LARFEKAQDAL+SLD+SRI+ARGYA+IEKN LV++ + I
 Sbjct: 366 VATAKRLLMANMASQYDSQLARFEKAQDALLSLDASRIIARGYAMIEKNQALVASVSQIT 425

Query: 421 EGDHLQVKMQDGLLEVEVKDVRQENI 446
 +GD L +KM+DG L+VEVKDV+ ENI
 Sbjct: 426 KGDQLTIKMRDGLDVEVKDVKNENI 451

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 83

A DNA sequence (GBSx0083) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 277> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 278>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 33

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2913(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAG07429 GB:AE004821 exodeoxyribonuclease VII small subunit
 [Pseudomonas aeruginosa]

Identities = 26/66 (39%), Positives = 51/66 (76%), Gaps = 2/66 (3%)

Query: 1 MSDKKT--FEENLQELETVSRLETGDVALEDAIAEFQKGLISKELQRTLKEAETLVK 58
 M+ KKT FE++L EL+T+V RLE+G+++LE+++ F++G+ +++E Q +L +AE+ +

Sbjct: 1 MARKKTLDFEQSLTELQTLVERLESGELSLEESLGAFEQGIRLTRECQTSLSQAEQKVQI 60

Query: 59 VMQADG 64

+++ DG

Sbjct: 61 LLERDG 66

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 279> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 280>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 51

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2796(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

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Identities = 55/70 (78%), Positives = 65/70 (92%)

Query: 1 MSDKKTFFENLQLEETIVSRLETGDALEDAIAEFQKGM LISKELQRTLKEAETLVKVM 60
MS KTFEENLQ+LETTIV++LE GDV LE+AI+EFQKGM L+SKELQ+TL+ AE+TLVKVM

Sbjct: 1 MSKTKTFFENLQDLETTIVNKLENGDPLEFAISEFQKGM LLSKELQKTLOAAEKT LVKVM 60

Query: 61 QADGTEVEMD 70

QADGTEV+MD

Sbjct: 61 QADGTEVDMD 70

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 84

A DNA sequence (GBSx0084) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 281> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 282>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 58

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2614(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:BAA25265 GB:AB003187 farnesyl diphosphate synthase [Micrococcus luteus]

Identities = 126/258 (48%), Positives = 175/258 (66%), Gaps = 2/258 (0%)

Query: 27 LIKAILYSVDGGGKRIRPRILLEILEGFGVELIDGHYDVAAALEMIHTGSLIHDDLPAMD 86

L +AI YS+ GKKRIRP ++L L+ G DG ALEMIHT SLIHDDLPAMD

Sbjct: 31 LHEAINYSLSAGGKRIRPLLVLTTLDLSLGGNAHDG-LPFGIALEMIHTYSLIHDDLPAMD 89

Query: 87 NDDFRRGRLTNHKKFDEATAVLAGDSLFLDPFDLVVKAGFKADVTVRLIELLSMSAGSFG 146

NDD+RRG+LTNHK+FDEATA+LAGD+L D F ++ A++ + LI LLS ++GS G

Sbjct: 90 NDDYRRGKLTNHKRFDEATAILAGDALLTDAFQCILNTQLNAEIKLSLINLLSTAGSNG 149

Query: 147 MVGGQMLDMKGKENVLSIDDLSLIHINKTGRLLAYPFVAAGILAEKSEEVKGKHLHQAGLL 206

MV GQMLDM+GE+K L++++L IHI+KTG L+ V+AGI+ ++ +L+ G

Sbjct: 150 MVYQMLDMQGEHKTLTINELERIHHTGELIRAAIVSAGTIMNFNDQIEQLNIIGKN 209

Query: 207 IGHAFQVRDDILDVTASFEELGKTPNKDIVAECTTYPNLLGLDKSQEILDDTLKKAQAIF 266

+G FQ++DDILDV SFE +GKT D+ +K+TY +LLGL+ S+++L+D L +

Sbjct: 210 VGLMFQIKDDILDVEGSFENIGKTVGSDLNNDKSTYVSLGLEASKQLNDKLTETDYDAL 269

Query: 267 QNLEKKANFNARKIIDII 284

+ L+ N N + +I I

Sbjct: 270 KTLQ-PINDNLKTLITYI 286

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 283> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 284>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 38

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3887(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 192/289 (66%), Positives = 237/289 (81%)

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5  Query: 2  MVTIEKIDEAIIHRYKQTHSVSPDLIKAILYSVDGGGKRIRPRILLEILEGFGVELIDG 61
      M + +IDEAI RYK T + VS +LI AILYSVD GKKRIRP ILLE++EGFGV L +
      Sbjct: 1  MDKRLARIDEAIRRYKTTNSGVSEELIDAILYSDSGGKRIRPLILLEMIEGFGVSLQNA 60

      Query: 62  HYDVAAALEMIHTGSLIHDDLPAMDNDFFRRGRLTNHKKFDEATAVLAGDSLFLDPFDLV 121
      H+D+AAALEMIHTGSLIHDDLPAMDND+RRGRLTNHK+F EATA+LAGDSLFLDPF L+
10  Sbjct: 61  HFDLAAALEMIHTGSLIHDDLPAMDNDYRRGRLTNHKQFGEATAILAGDSLFLDPFGLI 120

      Query: 122  VKAGFKADVTVRLIELLSMSAGSFGMVGGQMLDMKGENKVLSDLLSLIHINKTGRLLAY 181
      +A ++V V LI+ LS+++G+FGMVGGQMLDMKGEN+ LS+ LSLIH+NKTG+LLA+
      Sbjct: 121  AQAEINSEVKVALIQELSLASGTFGMVGGQMLDMKGENQALSPLQSLIHLNKTGKLLAF 180

15  Query: 182  PFVAAGILAEKSEEVKGLHQAGLLIGHAFQVRDDILDVTASFEEELGKTPNKDIVAEKTT 241
      PF AA ++ E++ V+ +L QAG+LIGHAFQ+RDDILDVTASFE+LGKTP KD+ AEK T
      Sbjct: 181  PFKAALITEQAMTVRQQLAQAGMLIGHAFQVRDDILDVTASFEDLGKTPKDLFAEKAT 240

20  Query: 242  YPNLLGLDKSQEILDDTLKKAQAFQNLKKNFNFARKIIDIEGLRLN 290
      YP+LLGL+ S ++L ++L +A IFQ LE F + I +IEGLRLN
      Sbjct: 241  YPSLLGLEASYQLLTESLDQALTIFQTLESVDGFKPQIITKLIEGLRLN 289

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 85

A DNA sequence (GBSx0085) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 285> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 286>. This protein is predicted to be hemolysin-like protein (tly). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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30  Possible site: 37

      >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
      INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -0.75    Transmembrane    152 - 168 ( 151 - 168)

35  ----- Final Results -----
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1298(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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>GP:BA06497 GB:AP001516 hemolysin-like protein [Bacillus halodurans]
Identities = 162/270 (60%), Positives = 202/270 (74%), Gaps = 3/270 (1%)

45  Query: 3  KERVDVLAYKQGLFDTREQAKRGVMAGMVININGERIDKPKGEKVADDTELKLGKELKY 62
      KERVDVL ++GL +TRE+AKR +MAG+V + ER DKPG KV DT L +KGE L Y
      Sbjct: 4  KERVDVLLVERGLMETREKAKRSIMAGLVFS--GHERVDKPGKLVDRDTPLSVKGEVLPY 61

      Query: 63  VSRGGLKLEKALQVFEISVADKLITIDIGASTGGFTDVMLQSGARLVYAVDVGTVNQLVWKL 122
      VSRGGLKLEKAA++ F++ + D++ +DIGASTGGFTD LQ+GA VYAVDVG NQL WKL
50  Sbjct: 62  VSRGGLKLEKAIKRAFDLHLTDRVVDLIDIGASTGGFTDCALQNGATFVYAVDVGTVNQLAWKL 121

      Query: 123  RQDHRVRSMEQYNFRYAQKEDFKEGLPEFASIDVSFISLNLILPALKEILVDGGQVVALI 182
      RQD RV ME+ NFRY + E + GLP A+IDVSFISL LILP LK +L++ VVAL+
      Sbjct: 122  RQDERVVVMERTNFRYKPEVLERGLPNMATIDVSFISLKLILPVLKTMLENSDVALV 181

55  Query: 183  KPQFEAGREQIGKNGIVKDKLVHEKVLTTVINFTKDYGYTVKHLDFSPIQGGHGNIEFLM 242
      KPQFEAGRE++GK GIV+DK VH+KVL+T+ F GY V LDFSPI GG GNIEFL+
      Sbjct: 182  KPQFEAGREEVGKKGIVRDKSVHQVLSLTFEALKEGYAVGGGLDFSPITGGEGNIEFL 241

60  Query: 243  HLQKCQDPQNLV-LDQIQDVIEKAHKEFKK 271

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HL +D ++ + + I+D +E+AH E KK
 Sbjct: 242 HLMWRKDKESFISQEMIRDIVERAHLELKK 271

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 287> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 288>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 37

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -2.92 Transmembrane 150 - 166 (149 - 168)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.2168(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

>GP:BAB06497 GB:AP001516 hemolysin-like protein [Bacillus halodurans]
 Identities = 156/270 (57%), Positives = 196/270 (71%), Gaps = 3/270 (1%)

Query: 3 KERVDVLAYKQGLFETREQAARGVMAGLVVSVINGQRYDKPGDKIDDGTTELKLGKELKY 62
 KERVDVL ++GL ETRE+AKR +MAGLV S +R DKPG K+D T L +KGE L Y
 Sbjct: 4 KERVDVLLVERGLMETREKAKRSIMAGLVFS--GHERVDKPGKVDRTPLSVKGEVLPY 61

Query: 63 VSRGGLKLEKGLHVFVGSVANQIGIDIGASTGGFTDVMLQDGAKLVYAVDVGTNQLVWKL 122
 VSRGGLKLEK + F + + +++ +DIGASTGGFTD LQ+GA VYAVDVG NQL WKL
 Sbjct: 62 VSRGGLKLEKAIKRAFDLHLTDRLVLDIGASTGGFTDCALQNGATFVYAVDVGNQLAWKL 121

Query: 123 RQDPRVRSMEQYNFRYAQPEDFNEGQPVFASIDVSFISLSLILPALHNVLSQQGVIALI 182
 RQD RV ME+ NFRY +PE G P A+IDVSFISL LILP L +L + V+AL+
 Sbjct: 122 RQDERVVVMERTNFRYKPEVLERGLPNMATIDVSFISLKLILPVLKTMLENSDVVALV 181

Query: 183 KPQFEAGREQIGKKGIVKDKQIHEKVIQKVMDFASGYGFTVKGLDFSPIQGGHGNIEFLA 242
 KPQFEAGRE++GKKGIV+DK +H+KV+ +++FA G+ V GLDFSPI GG GNIEFL
 Sbjct: 182 KPQFEAGREEVGKKGIVRDKSVHQVLSTIVEFALKEGYAVGGLDFSPITGGEGNIEFLL 241

Query: 243 HLAQSQTPEP-LAPHLIQKVVAKAHKEFEK 271
 HL + E+ ++ +I+ V +AH E +K
 Sbjct: 242 HLMWRKDKESFISQEMIRDIVERAHLELKK 271

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 214/275 (77%), Positives = 238/275 (85%)

Query: 1 MAKERVDVLAYKQGLFDTREQAARGVMAGMVINVINGERYDKPGEKVADDTTELKLGKEL 60
 M KERVDVLAYKQGLF+TREQAARGVMAG+V++VING+RYDKPG+K+ D TELKLGKEL
 Sbjct: 1 MPKERVDVLAYKQGLFETREQAARGVMAGLVVSVINGQRYDKPGDKIDDGTTELKLGKEL 60

Query: 61 KYVSRGGLKLEKALQVFEISVADKLTIDIGASTGGFTDVMLQSGARLVYAVDVGTNQLVW 120
 KYVSRGGLKLEK L VF +SVA+++ IDIGASTGGFTDVMLQ GA+LVYAVDVGTNQLVW
 Sbjct: 61 KYVSRGGLKLEKGLHVFVGSVANQIGIDIGASTGGFTDVMLQDGAKLVYAVDVGTNQLVW 120

Query: 121 KLRQDHRVRSMEQYNFRYAQKEDFKEGLPEFASIDVSFISLNLILPALKEILVDGGQVVA 180
 KLRQD RVRSMQYNFRYAQ EDF EG P FASIDVSFISL+LILPAL +L D GQV+V
 Sbjct: 121 KLRQDPRVRSMEQYNFRYAQPEDFNEGQPVFASIDVSFISLSLILPALHNVLSQQGVIA 180

Query: 181 LIKPQFEAGREQIGKNGIVKDKLVHEKVLTTVINFTKDYGYTVKHLDFSPIQGGHGNIEF 240
 LIKPQFEAGREQIGK GIVKDK +HEKV+ V +F YG+TVK LDFSPIQGGHGNIEF
 Sbjct: 181 LIKPQFEAGREQIGKNGIVKDKQIHEKVIQKVMDFASGYGFTVKGLDFSPIQGGHGNIEF 240

Query: 241 LMHLQKQDPQNLVLDQIQDVIEKAHKEFKNEEE 275
 L HL K Q P+ L IQ V+ KAHKEF+K+E+E
 Sbjct: 241 LAHLAKSQTPEP-LAPHLIQKVVAKAHKEFEKHEKE 275

SEQ ID 286 (GBS310) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 57 (lane 3; MW 34kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 61 (lane 4; MW 58.8kDa).

The GBS310-GST fusion product was purified (Figure 210, lane 10) and used to immunise mice. The resulting antiserum was used for FACS (Figure 282), which confirmed that the protein is immunoaccessible on GBS bacteria.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 86

A DNA sequence (GBSx0086) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 289> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 290>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 18

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1966 (Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAA09426 GB:AJ010954 arginine repressor [Bacillus
stearothermophilus]

Identities = 49/153 (32%), Positives = 84/153 (54%), Gaps = 4/153 (2%)

Query: 1 MKKSERLNLKQIVLNHAVETQHELLRRLEAYGVTLTQATISRDMNEIGIIVPSAKGRY 60
M K +R I++I++NH +ETQ EL+ L+ G +TQAT+SRD+ E+ ++KVP A GRY
Sbjct: 1 MNKGQRHIKIREIIMNHEIETQDELVDMLKKAGFNVTVQATVSRDIKELQIVKVP MANGRY 60

Query: 61 IYGLSNENDPIFTTAVAKPIKTSILSISDKLLGLEQFININVIPGNSQLIKTFIMSHCQE 120
Y L +D F + +K +++ KL G + + +PGN+ I + +
Sbjct: 61 KYSL--PSDQRFNP--TQKLKRALMDAFVKLDGSGNLLVLKTLPGNAHAIGVLLDNL DWN 116

Query: 121 HIFSLTADDNSLLLIKASEADADHIRQSMIAML 153

I D++ L+I ++ DA+ + ++ ML

Sbjct: 117 EIVGTICGDDTCLIICTAEDAEEKVSGQLLGML 149

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 291> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 292>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 50

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1717 (Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 87/154 (56%), Positives = 118/154 (76%), Gaps = 1/154 (0%)

Query: 1 MKKSERLNLKQIVLNHAVETQHELLRRLEAYGVTLTQATISRDMNEIGIIVPSAKGRY 60
MKKSERL LIK++VL H +ETQH+LLR L +G+ LTQATISRDMNEIGI+K+PS GRY
Sbjct: 12 MKKSERLELIKMMVLTHPIETQHDLLRLLAHGLELTQATISRDMNEIGIVKIPSGSGRY 71

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Query: 61 IYGLSNENDPIFTTAVAKPIKTSILSISDKLLGLEQFININVIPGNSQLIKTFIMSHCQE 120
          IYGLS ++          + IK++IL++SDK GLEQ + + V+PGNS+LIK +++++ +
Sbjct: 72 IYGLSQDSGKKIVQG-PRSIKSTILAVSDKTKGLEQHLYLKVVPGNSKLIKRYLLADFSK 130

Query: 121 HIFSLTADDNSLLLLIAKSEADADHIRQSMIAMLE 154
          IFSL ADD+SILLIAKS ++AD IRQ ++ ++
Sbjct: 131 AIFSLIADDDSLLLIAKSPSEADMIRQEILLWMQ 164

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- 10 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 87

A DNA sequence (GBSx0088) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 293> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 294>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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15 Possible site: 15

    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
20 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3339(Affirmative) < succ>
    bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
    bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

- 25 No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 88

A DNA sequence (GBSx0089) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 295> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 296>. This protein is predicted to be DNA repair protein recn (recN). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 50

    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

35 ----- Final Results -----
    bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1651(Affirmative) < succ>
    bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
    bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
40

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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>GP:CAB14355 GB:Z99116 recN [Bacillus subtilis]
  Identities = 244/567 (43%), Positives = 366/567 (64%), Gaps = 18/567 (3%)

45 Query: 1  MLLEISIKNFAlIEEISLNFETGMTVLGTGETGAGKSIIIDAMNMLGSRASVEVIRHGAN 60
          ML E+SIKNFAIIEE++++FE G+TVLTGETGAGKSIIIDA++++G R S E +R+G
Sbjct: 1  MLAELSIKNFAIIEELTVSFERGLTVLTGETGAGKSIIIDAIISLLVGGRGSSEFVRYGEA 60

Query: 61  KAEIEGFFSVEKNQSLVQLLEENGIELADELII-RREIFQNGRSVSRINGQMVNLSLTKA 119
          KAE+EG F +E ++ + E GI+++DE+I+ RR+I +G+SV R+NG++V +++L+
50 Sbjct: 61 KAELEGLFLLESCHPVLGVCAEQGIDVSDMIVMRDISTSGKSVCRVNGKLVTTIASLRE 120

Query: 120 VGHYLVDIYGQHDQBELMKENMHILMLDEFGNTEFNVIKERYQSLFDAYRQLRKRVLDKQ 179
          +G L+DI+GQHD + LM+ H+ +LD+F E + YQ + Y +L K++

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Sbjct: 121 IGRLLLDIHGQHDNQLLMEDENHLQLLDKFAEVEESALKTYQEGYQRYVKLLKKLKQLS 180
 Query: 180 KNEQENKSRIEMLEFQIAEIESVALKSDEDQTLKQDKLMNHKNIADTLTNAYMLDNE 239
 ++EQE +++++FQ+ EIES L+ +ED+ L ++R ++ N + I ++L NAY L +E
 5 Sbjct: 181 ESEQEMAHCLDIQFQLEETESAKLELNEDEQLQEERQQISNFEKIYESLQAYNALRSE 240
 Query: 240 EFSSLSNVRSAMNDLMALEEFDRYKDLSTNLSEAYYVIEEVTKRLGDVIDDLDFDAGLL 299
 + L V A L + + + K +S ++S +YY++E+ T ++ +++D+L+FD L
 10 Sbjct: 241 Q-GGLDWVGMSAQLEDISDINEPLKMKSESVNSYYLLEDATFQMRNMLDELEFDPERL 299
 Query: 300 QEIENRLDVINTITRKYGGDVNDVLDYFDNITKEYSLLTGSEESSDALEKELKILEHDLI 359
 IE RL+ I + RKYG V D+L+Y I +E + + +L+KEL + D+
 Sbjct: 300 NYIETRLNEIKQLRKYGATVEDILEYASKIEEIDQIENRDSHLQSLKKELDVSGKDVA 359
 15 Query: 360 ESANQLSLERHKLAKQLENEIKQELTELYMEKADFQVQFTKG-----KF 403
 A +S R AK+L +EI +EL LYMEK+ F +F +
 Sbjct: 360 VEANVSQIRKTWAKKLADIEHRELKSLYMEKSTFDTEFKVRTASRNEEAPLVNGQPVQL 419
 Query: 404 NKEGNEIVEFYISTNPGEFGKPLVKVASGGELSRMLAIKSAFSRKEDKTSIVFDEVDTG 463
 ++G ++V+F ISTN GE K L KVASGGELSR+MLAIKS FS ++D TSI+FDEVDTG
 20 Sbjct: 420 TEQSIDLVKFLISTNTGEPLKSLSKVASGGELSRVMLAIKSIFSSQDVTSTIIFDEVDTG 479
 Query: 464 VSGRVAQAIAQKIHKIGSHGQVLAISHLAQVIAIADYQYFIEKISSDSSTVSTVRLLSYE 523
 VSGRVAQAIA+KIHK+ QVL I+HL QV A+AD +I K D T + V+ LS +
 25 Sbjct: 480 VSGRVAQAIAEKIHKVSIGSQVLCTHLPQVAMADTHLYIAKELKDGRTTTRVKPLSKQ 539
 Query: 524 ERVEEIAKMLAGNNVTDITARTQAKELL 550
 E+V EI + +AG VTD + AKELL
 30 Sbjct: 540 EKVAEIERSIAGVEVTDLTIRHAKELL 566

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 297> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 298>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 51
 35 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1215(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 40 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 403/550 (73%), Positives = 472/550 (85%)
 45 Query: 1 MLLEISIKNFATIEEISLNFETGMTVLTGETGAGKSIIDAMNMMLGSRASVEVIRHGAN 60
 MLLEISIKNFATII+EISLNF GMTVLTGETGAGKSIIDAMNMMLG+RAS EVIR GAN
 Sbjct: 2 MLLEISIKNFATIDEISLNFENGMTVLTGETGAGKSIIDAMNMMLGARASTEVIIRRGAN 61
 Query: 61 KAEIEGFFSVEKNQSLVQLLEENGIELADELIIRREIFQNGRSVSRINGQMVNLSTLKAV 120
 KAEIEGFFSV+ LV LE +GI + +ELIIRR+IF NGRSVSRINGQMVNL+TLK V
 50 Sbjct: 62 KAEIEGFFSVDPPELVACLESSGIAMBEELIIRRDIFANGRSVSRINGQMVNLATLKQV 121
 Query: 121 GHYLVDIYGQHDQEELMKPNMHILMLDEFGNTEFNVIKERYQSLFDAYRQLRKRVLQKQ 180
 G +LVDI+GQHDQEELM+P +H +LD FG+ F +KE YQ +FD Y+ LR++V+DKQK
 55 Sbjct: 122 GQFLVDIHGQHDQEELMRPQLHQIILDAFGDKAFEQLKENYQLIFDRYKSLRRQVIDKQK 181
 Query: 181 NEQENKSRIEMLEFQIAEIESVALKSDEDQTLKQDKLMNHKNIADTLTNAYMLDNEE 240
 NE+E+K RI+ML FQIAEIE+ AL ED L ++RD+LMNHK IADTLTNAY+MLDN++
 60 Sbjct: 182 NEKEHKRIDMLAFQIAEIEAAALSRGEDRLNQRDRMLNHKQIADTLTNAYVMLDND 241
 Query: 241 FSSLSNVRSAMNDLMALEEFDRYKDLSTNLSEAYYVIEEVTKRLGDVIDDLDFDAGLLQ 300
 FSSLSN+RS+MNDL+++E+FD EYK +ST++SEAYY++EEV+K+L D ID LDFD G LQ
 Sbjct: 242 FSSLSNIRSSMNDLSIEQFDSEYKGMSTSISEAYYILEEVSKQLSDTIDQLDFDGGRLQ 301
 65 Query: 301 EIENRLDVINTITRKYGGDVNDVLDYFDNITKEYSLLTGSEESSDALEKELKILEHDLIE 360

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EIE RLD++N++TRKYGG+VNDVLDY+DNI KEY LLTG + SS LE ELK LE L+
 Sbjct: 302 EIEFRLDILNSLTRKYGGNVNDVLDYDNIKEYQLLTGDDLSSGDLEAELEKSLEKQLVA 361
 Query: 361 SANQLSLERHKLAKQLENEIKQELTELYMEKADFQVQFTKGKFNKEGNEIVEFYISTNPG 420
 +A++LS+ RH+LA+QLE EIK EL ELYMEKADF+V FT KFN++GNE +EFYISTNPG
 Sbjct: 362 AASELSVSRHQLAEQLEAEIKAELEKELYMEKADFVHFTTSKFNDRDGNESLEFYISTNPG 421
 Query: 421 EGFKPLVKVASGGELSRLMLAIAKSAFSRKEDKTSIVFDEVDTGVSGRVAQAIAQKIHKIG 480
 EGFKPLVKVASGGELSRLMLAIAK+A SRKEDKTSIVFDEVDTGVSGRVAQAIAQKI+KIG
 Sbjct: 422 EGFKPLVKVASGGELSRLMLAIAKAAISRKEDKTSIVFDEVDTGVSGRVAQAIAQKIYKIG 481
 Query: 481 SHGQVLAISHLAQVIAIADYQYFIEKISSDSSTVSTVRLLSYEEERVEEIAKMLAGNNVTD 540
 HGQVLAISHL QVIAIADYQYFI K S + STVS VRL+ EERVEEIA M+AG ++T
 Sbjct: 482 RHGQVLAISHLQVIAIADYQYFISKESKEESTVSKVRLLTPEERVEEIASMIAGTDMTQ 541
 Query: 541 TARTQAKELL 550
 A TQA+ELL
 Sbjct: 542 AALTQARELL 551

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 89

A DNA sequence (GBSx0090) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 299> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 300>. This protein is predicted to be degV protein. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 38
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.95 Transmembrane 246 - 262 (246 - 262)
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1383(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:BAB07346 GB:AP001519 unknown conserved protein [Bacillus halodurans]
 Identities = 93/277 (33%), Positives = 152/277 (54%), Gaps = 4/277 (1%)
 Query: 1 MSKIKIVTDSSITIEPELIKELDTITVPLSVMIDGTLYSNDLKAQGEFLNLMRGSKELP 60
 M+KI IVTDS+ + P+ KEL+ VVPLSV+ Y + + +F ++ ++LP
 Sbjct: 1 MTKIAIVTDSTAYLGPKRAKELGVIVVPLSVVFGEAYQEEVELSSADFYEKLKHEEKL 60
 Query: 61 KTSQPPVGVF AEIYEKLMNEGVEHIIAHLTHLTSGTIE-ASRQGANIAGADVTVIDSTF 119
 TSQP VG+F E +E+L EG E +I+IHL+ +SGT + A G+ + G +V DS
 Sbjct: 61 TTSQPAVGLFVETFERLAKEGFVVVISIHLSSKISGTYQSAITAGSMVEGIEVIGYDSGI 120
 Query: 120 TDQCQKFQVVEAAKLAKEGADLDTILARVEEVQRKSELFVSTLENLVKGGRIGRVTGL 179
 + + Q V EAAKL KEGAD TI+ ++EV++++ V L +L +GGR+ +
 Sbjct: 121 SCEPQANFVAEAAKLVKEGADPQTIIDHLDEVKKRTNALPVVHDLHLRGGRNLNAAQLV 180
 Query: 180 LSSLLNIKVIMELTNHELVPVVKGR-GLKTFKWLDFVESAQTRKIAEIGISYCGKADM 238
 + SLL IK I+ + +VP+ K R K +++ + F E A + + + + D
 Sbjct: 181 VGSLLKIKPILHFEDGSIVPLEKVRTEKAWARVKELFAEEASSASSVKATVIHANRLDG 240
 Query: 239 ANNFREKL--AVLGAPISVLETGSIQTHGTGDAFAV 273
 A +++ +S+ G +I TH GE + +
 Sbjct: 241 AEKLADEIRSQFSHVVDVSIHFGPVIQTHLGEIGSIGL 277

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 301> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 302>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 37

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5  >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -1.54    Transmembrane    180 - 196 ( 180 - 196)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -0.16    Transmembrane    21 - 37 ( 21 - 38)

10  ----- Final Results -----
        bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1617(Affirmative) < succ>
        bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
        bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

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15  Identities = 197/279 (70%), Positives = 226/279 (80%), Gaps = 1/279 (0%)

Query: 1  MSKIKIVTDSSITIEPELIKELDITVVPLSVMIDGTLYSDNDLKAQGEFLNLMRGSKELP 60
      M  IKIVTDSSITIEPELIK LDITVVPLSVMID  LYSDNDLK +G FL+LM+ SK LP
20  Sbjct: 5  MGTIKIVTDSSITIEPELIKALDITVVPLSVMIDSKLYSDNDLKEEGHFLSLMKASKSLP 64

Query: 61  KTSQPPVGVFAEIIYEKLMNEGVEHIIAIHLTHTLSGTIEASRQGANIAGADVTVIDSTFT 120
      KTSQPPVG+FAE YE L+ +GV I+AIHL+  LSGTIEASRQGA IA A VTV+DS FT
25  Sbjct: 65  KTSQPPVGLFAETIYENLVKGVTDIVAIHLSPALSGTIEASRQGAETAEAPVTVLD SGFT 124

Query: 121  DQCQKFQVVEAAKLAKEGADLDTILARVEEVROKSELFVSTLENLVKGRIGRVTGLL 180
      DQ  KQVVEAAK+AK GA L+ ILA V+ ++ K+EL+IGVSTLENLVKGRIGRVTG+L
30  Sbjct: 125  DQAMKFQVVEAAKMAKAGASLNEILAAVQAISKTELYIGVSTLENLVKGRIGRVTGVL 184

Query: 181  SSSLNIKVIMELTNHELVPVIVKGRGLKTFKWLDFVESAQTRKIAEIGISYCGKADMAN 240
      SSSLN+KV+M L N EL +VKGRG KTF+KWLDF+++ R IAEI ISY G+A +A
35  Sbjct: 185  SSSLNVKVMALKNDLKTLLVKGGRGKNTFTKWLDSYLAKNSHRPIAEIAISYAGEASLAL 244

Query: 241  NFREKLAV-LGAPISVLETGSIITQHTGTGDAFAVMVRYE 278
      +E+++A  ISVLETGSIITQHTGE AFAMVRYE
40  Sbjct: 245  TLKERIAAYYNHSISVLETGSIITQHTGTGEGAFAMVRYE 283

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SEQ ID 300 (GBS113) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. Purified protein is shown in Figure 201, lane 8.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 90

A DNA sequence (GBSx0092) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 307> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 308>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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45  Possible site: 28

    >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.

50  ----- Final Results -----
        bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.3000(Affirmative) < succ>
        bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
        bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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55  >GP:CAA72097 GB:Y11213 hypothetical protein [Streptococcus thermophilus]
    Identities = 75/185 (40%), Positives = 116/185 (62%), Gaps = 3/185 (1%)

Query: 13  WKWAFLLLLAINLSFTAVIASRLIQVREPNTGKISTGVQDKVKVGTFITNKSQLNKTIAL 72

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WKW FL LLA+NL+ +V+ R++ E + + G K+G ++ +K +L++++
 Sbjct: 5 WKWLFLLGLLALNLALISVVTVRIMTPVETSPVSLPKGA---TKIGKYSMSKEELDESLRG 61
 Query: 73 YLKQYQTKKMNYKIYAASSSILFEGSYQLLGYEVPLYIYFEPYRLTNGAVQLKVTFSFSVG 132
 + + Y T KM +K+ +S I+FE SY++LG+ VPLY+YF P +GAV L+ + S G
 Sbjct: 62 FAQDYSTDKMRFKVKVTNSKIVFESSYKVLGHAVPLYVYFTPLVSESGAVVLQESELG 121
 Query: 133 TLPLPEKDVQLQYIKSSYKLPNFVDIKPKSVININLQDLKKEGIYKATAIDLVDNDFS 192
 TL LP D L IK S KLP+++ I KK + +N+Q +KN +GI +A + DLVND
 Sbjct: 122 TLKLPILDALNMIKRSTKLPDYIVIDSKKGKVIILNIQSMKNDKGITARAQSFDLVNDRSE 181
 Query: 193 FDIK 197
 FDI+K
 Sbjct: 182 FDIYK 186

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 309> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 310>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 29

>>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.

----- Final Results -----

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.3000 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

>GP:CAA72097 GB:Y11213 hypothetical protein [Streptococcus thermophilus]
 Identities = 73/185 (39%), Positives = 112/185 (60%), Gaps = 3/185 (1%)
 Query: 10 WKWSFLCLLAFNTAFLMVIASRLIQVREPESELIAKKPVKNIKIGTFVTTREQLNETVAS 69
 WKW FL LLA N A + V+ R++ E + K K IG + ++E+L+E++
 Sbjct: 5 WKWLFLLGLLALNLALISVVTVRIMTPVETSPVSLPKGATK---IGKYSMSKEELDESLRG 61
 Query: 70 YLKDYQTEKMSYKFYATSSSILFEGTYQLLGYEVPLYIYFQPHRENGAVQLQVISFSVG 129
 + +DY T+KM +K T+S I+FE +Y++LG+ VPLY+YF P E+GAV LQ S G
 Sbjct: 62 FAQDYSTDKMRFKVKVTNSKIVFESSYKVLGHAVPLYVYFTPLVSESGAVVLQESELG 121
 Query: 130 TLPLPEKDVQLQYLKSSYKLPFVKVMPNQSAIVVNLDIQNDKAVYLKAKKIDLFNDEIS 189
 TL LP D L +K S KLP ++ + + +++N+Q ++ND + +A+ DL ND
 Sbjct: 122 TLKLPILDALNMIKRSTKLPDYIVIDSKKGKVIILNIQSMKNDKGITARAQSFDLVNDRSE 181
 Query: 190 FNIYK 194
 F+IYK
 Sbjct: 182 FDIYK 186

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 129/194 (66%), Positives = 155/194 (79%)

Query: 5 KTGRNLNFWKWAFLLLALNLSFTAVIASRLIQVREPNTGKISTGVQDKVKVGTFTTINKS 64
 K NLN+WKW+FL LLA N +F VIASRLIQVREP + I+ +K+GTF T +
 Sbjct: 2 KKKSNLNNWKWSFLCLLAFNTAFLMVIASRLIQVREPESELIAKKPVKNIKIGTFVTTRE 61
 Query: 65 QLNKTIALYLKQYQTKKMNYKIYAASSSILFEGSYQLLGYEVPLYIYFEPYRLTNGAVQL 124
 QLN+T+A YLK YQT+KM+YK YA SSSILFEG+YQLLGYEVPLYIYF+P+RL NGAVQL
 Sbjct: 62 QLNETVASYLKDYQTEKMSYKFYATSSSILFEGTYQLLGYEVPLYIYFQPHRENGAVQL 121
 Query: 125 KVTFSFVGTLPLPEKDVQLQYIKSSYKLPNFVDIKPKSVININLQDLKKEGIYKATAI 184
 +V SFSVGTLPLPEKDVQLQY+KSSYKLP+V + P +S I +NLQD++N +YLKA I
 Sbjct: 122 QVISFVGTLPLPEKDVQLQYLKSSYKLPFVKVMPNQSAIVVNLDIQNDKAVYLKAKKI 181
 Query: 185 DLVNDNFSFDIFK 198
 DL ND SF+I+KK
 Sbjct: 182 DLFNDEISFNIYK 195

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8487> and protein <SEQ ID 8488> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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5      Lipop: Possible site: -1   Crend: 7
      McG: Discrim Score:      7.47
      GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): 2.42
      Possible site: 28
10     >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.
      ALOM program count: 0 value: 5.89 threshold: 0.0
      PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 5.89 120
      modified ALOM score: -1.68
15     *** Reasoning Step: 3

      ----- Final Results -----
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.3000(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
20     bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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SEQ ID 308 (GBS20) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 4 (lane 5; MW 25kDa) and in Figure 167 (lane 12-14; MW 37kDa – thioredoxin fusion). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 9 (lane 7; MW 47.6kDa). Purified Thio-GBS20-His is shown in Figure 244, lane 12.

Example 91

A DNA sequence (GBSx0093) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 311> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 312>. This protein is predicted to be histone-like DNA-binding protein. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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30     Possible site: 40

      >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

      ----- Final Results -----
35     bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2768(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9313> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9314> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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>GP:AAD40810 GB:L40355 histone-like DNA-binding protein [Streptococcus mutans]
Identities = 43/47 (91%), Positives = 46/47 (97%)
45     Query: 1  MANKQDLIAKVAEATELTKKDSAAAVDAVF+AAVADYLAEGEKVQLIG 47
      MANKQDLIAKVAEATELTKKDSAAAVDAVF+AV+ YLA+GEKVQLIG
      Sbjct: 1  MANKQDLIAKVAEATELTKKDSAAAVDAVFSAVSSYLAKGEKVQLIG 47

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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 313> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 314>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 25

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>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

5 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2834 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

10 Identities = 41/47 (87%), Positives = 44/47 (93%)
 Query: 1 MANKQDLIAKVAEATELTKKDSAAAVDAVFAAVADYLAEGEKVQLIG 47
 MANKQDLIAKVAEATELTKKDSAAAVDAVF+ + +LAEGEKVQLIG
 Sbjct: 1 MANKQDLIAKVAEATELTKKDSAAAVDAVFSTIEAFLAEGEKVQLIG 47

15 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 92

A DNA sequence (GBSx0094) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 315> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 316>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

20 Possible site: 54
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 ----- Final Results -----
 25 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2722 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

30 A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9293> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9294> was also identified. A further related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 10793> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 10794> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAD17886 GB:AF100456 hyaluronate-associated protein precursor
 [Streptococcus equi]
 35 Identities = 303/435 (69%), Positives = 360/435 (82%), Gaps = 1/435 (0%)
 Query: 1 MATKVDVSKDGLTYTATLRKGLKWSGSKLTAKDFVYSWQRLVDPKTASQYAYLAVEGHV 60
 +A KVDVS+DGLTYTATLR GLKWSGGS LTA+DFVYSWQR+VDPKTAS+YAYLA E H+
 Sbjct: 87 LAEKVDVSEDGLTYTATLRDGLKWSGSDLTAEFVYSWQRMVDPKTASEYAYLATESHL 146
 40 Query: 61 LNADKINEGQEKDLNKLGVKAEGDDKVITLSSPSPQFIYYLAFTNFMPQKQEVVEKYGK 120
 NA+ IN G+ DL+ LGVKA+G+ KV+ TL+ P+PQF L+F+NF+PQK+ V+ GK
 Sbjct: 147 KNAEDINGSGKNPDLSLGVKADGN-KVIFTLTEPAPQFKSLLSFSNFPQKESFVKDAGK 205
 45 Query: 121 DYATTSKNTVYSGPYTVEGWNGSNGFTLKKKNKYWDAKNVKTKEVRIQTVKKPDTAVQM 180
 DY TTS+ +YSGPY V+ WNG++GTF L KNKNYWDANKVKT+ V +QTVKKPDTAVQM
 Sbjct: 206 DYGTTSKQIYSGPYIVKDWNGTSGTFLVKNKNYWDANKVKTETVNVQTVKKPDTAVQM 265
 50 Query: 181 YKRGELDAANISNTSAIYQANKNNKVDVTDVLEATTAYMEYNTTGSVKGLDNVKIRRALNL 240
 YK+G+LD ANIS TSAIY ANK +KDV VLEATTAY+ YN TG+++GL+++KIR+ALNL
 Sbjct: 266 YKQGLDFANISGTSIAIYNANKKHKDVVPVLEATTAYIVYNQTAIEGLNSLKIRQALNL 325
 Query: 241 ATNRKGVVQAAVDTGSKPAIAFAPTGLAKTPDGTDLAKYVAPGYEYNKTEAAKLFKEGLA 300
 AT+RKG+V AAVDTGSKPA A PTGLAK DGTDL ++VAPGY+Y+ EAAKLFKEGLA
 55 Sbjct: 326 ATDRKGIVSAAVDTGSKPATALVPTGLAKLSDGTDLTEHVAPGYKYDDKEAAKLFKEGLA 385
 Query: 301 ESGLTKLKLTTITADADAPAAKNSVDYIKSTWEAALPGLTVEEKFTVFKQRLSDSRKQNF 360
 E G L +TITADADAPAAK++VDYIK TWE ALPGLTVEEKFV FKQRLSD++ QNF+

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Sbjct: 386 ELGKDALTITITADADAPAAKSAVDYIKETWETALEGLTVEEKFPFKQRLSDTKNQNF 445

Query: 361 IVVSLWGGDYPEGSTFYGLFKSDSQNNDGKFKANDYDAAYNKAISEDAMKPAESAKDYKE 420
+ V LWGGDYP+GSTFYGLFKS S N GKF N DYDAAYNKA++ DA+ +A DYK

Sbjct: 446 VAVVLWGGDYPKSGSTFYGLFKSGSAYNYGKFTNADYDAAYNKAITTDALNTDAAADDYKA 505

Query: 421 AEKILFEQGAYNPLY 435

AEK L++ YNPLY

Sbjct: 506 AEKALYDNALYNPLY 520

A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8489> and protein <SEQ ID 8490> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Lipop: Possible site: 21 Crend: 4

Sequence Pattern: CGSK

SRCFLG: 0

McG: Length of UR: 19

Peak Value of UR: 2.34

Net Charge of CR: 3

McG: Discrim Score: 5.94

GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): 0.6

Possible site: 20

>>> May be a lipoprotein

Amino Acid Composition: calculated from 22

ALOM program count: 0 value: 5.14 threshold: 0.0

PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 5.14 166

modified ALOM score: -1.53

*** Reasoning Step: 3

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

>GP|4336671|gb|AAD17886.1||AF100456 hyaluronate-associated protein
precursor {Streptococcus equi}

Score = 721 bits (1840), Expect = 0.0

Identities = 354/515 (68%), Positives = 417/515 (80%), Gaps = 2/515 (0%)

Query: 1 KNWRRVGVGLTLASVATLAACGSK-SASQDSNGAINWAIPTTEINTLDLSKVTDITYSNLA 59

K +R+G+ +TLASVA L ACG+K SAS D INW PTEI TLD+SK TDTYS LA

Sbjct: 7 KACKRLGLAAVTLASVAALMACGNKQSASTDKKSEINWYTPTEIITLTDISKNTDITYSALA 66

Query: 60 IGNSSSNFLRLDKDGKTRPDLATKVDVSKDGLTYTATLRKGLKWSGSKLTAKDFVYSWQ 119

IGNS SN LR D GK +PDLA KVDVS+DGLTYTATLR GLKWSGDS LTA+DFVYSWQ

Sbjct: 67 IGNSGSNLLRADAKGLQPDLAEKVDVSEDGLTYTATLRDGLKWSGSDLTAEDEVYSWQ 126

Query: 120 RLVDPKTASQYAYLAVEGHVNLADKINEGQEKDLNKLGVKAEGDDKVITLSSPSQFIY 179

R+VDPKTAS+YAYLA E H+ NA+ IN G+ DL+ LGVKA+G+ KV+ TL+ P+PQF

Sbjct: 127 RMVDPKTASEYAYLATESHLKNAEDINSGKNPDLDLSLGVKADGN-KVIFTLTPEAPQFQKS 185

Query: 180 YLAFTNFMPQKQEVVEKYGKDYATTSKNTIVYSGPYTVEGWNGSNGTFTLKKKNYWDANK 239

L+F+NF+PQK+ V+ GKDY TTS+ +YSGPY V+ WNG++GTF L KNKNYWDANK

Sbjct: 186 LLSFSNFVPQKESFVKDAGKDYGTTSKQIYSGPYIVKDWNGTSGTFKLKKNYWDANK 245

Query: 240 VKTKEVRIQTVKKPDTAVQMYKRGELDAANISNTSAIQANKNNKDVTDVLEATTAYMEY 299

VKT+ V +QTVKKPDTAVQMYK+G+LD ANIS TSAIY ANK +KDV VLEATTAY+ Y

Sbjct: 246 VKTETVNVQTVKKPDTAVQMYKQKGLDFANISGTSIAIYNANKKHKDVVPVLEATTAYIVY 305

Query: 300 NTTGSVKGLDNVKKIRRALNLATNRKGVVQAAVDTGSKPAIAFAPTGLAKTPDGTDLAKYV 359

N TG+++GL+++KIR+ALNLAT+RKG+V AAVDTGSKPA A PTGLAK DGTDL ++V

Sbjct: 306 NQTGAIEGLNSLKIRQALNLATDRKGIYSAAVDTGSKPATALVPTGLAKLSDGTDLTEHV 365

Query: 360 APGYEYNKTEAAKLFKEGLAESGLTKLKLTTITADADAPAAKNSVDYIKSTWEAALPGLTV 419
 APGY+Y+ EAAKLFKEGLAE G L +TTITADADAPAAK++VDYIK TWE ALPGLTV
 Sbjct: 366 APGYKYDDKEAAKLFKEGLAELGKDALTITITADADAPAAKSAVDYIKEWTETALPGLTV 425

5 Query: 420 EEKFVTFKQRLSDSRKQNFIDIVVSLWGGDYPEGSTFYGLFKSDSQNNDGKFANKDYDAAY 479
 EEKFV FKQRLD++ QNF++ V LWGGDYP+GSTFYGLFKS S N GKF N DYDAAY
 Sbjct: 426 EEKFVFPKQRLSDTKNQNFVAVVSLWGGDYPKGSTFYGLFKSGSAYNYGKFTINADYDAAY 485

10 Query: 480 NKAISEDAMKPAESAKDYKEAEKILFEQGAYNPLY 514
 NKA++ DA+ +A DYK AEK L++ YNPLY
 Sbjct: 486 NKALTTDALNTDAADDYKAARKALYDNALYNPLY 520

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 317> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 318>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

15 Possible site: 24

>>> May be a lipoprotein

----- Final Results -----

20 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

25 Identities = 114/428 (26%), Positives = 185/428 (42%), Gaps = 63/428 (14%)

Query: 7 VSKDGLTYTATLRKGLKW--SDGSK---LTAKDFVYSWQRLVDPKTASQYAYLAVEGHVL 61
 VSKDGLTYT TLR G+ W +DG + +TA+DFV + VD K+ + Y VE +
 Sbjct: 92 VSKDGLTYTTLRDGVSWSYTADGEEYAPVTAEDFVTGLKHAVDKSDALY---VVEDSIK 148

30 Query: 62 NADKINEGQEKDLNKLGVKAEGDDKVITLSSPSPQFIYLLAFTNFMPOKQEVVEKYGKD 121
 N G E D ++GVKA D V TL+ P + ++ P + ++ GKD
 Sbjct: 149 NLKAYQNG-EVDFKEVGVKALDDKTVQYTLNKPESYWNSTTYSVLPVNAKFLKSKGKD 207

35 Query: 122 YATTSKNTV-YSGPYTVEGWNGSNGTFTLKKNKNYWDKAKNVKTEKVI--QTVKKPDTAV 178
 + TT +++ +G Y + + S + KN+NYWDAKNV + V++ P +
 Sbjct: 208 FGTTDPSSILVNGAYFLSAFT-SKSSMEFHKNNYWDKAKNVGIESVKLTYSDGSDPGSFY 266

40 Query: 179 QMYKRGELDAANISNTSAIYQANKNN--KDVT-DVLEATTAYMEYNTT----- 223
 + + +GE A + Y++ K N ++T +L ++ +N
 Sbjct: 267 KNFDKGEFSVARLYPNDFTYKSAKNYADNITYGMLTGDIRHLTNLNRTSFKNTKKDPA 326

45 Query: 224 ---GSVKGLDNVKIRRALNLATNRKGVVQAAVDITGSKPA----IAFAPT--GLAKTPDGT 274
 K L+N R+A+ A +R +K + PT + ++ G+
 Sbjct: 327 QQDAGKKALNNKDFRQAIQFAFDRASFQAQTAGQDAKTALRNMLVPFTFVTIGESDFGS 386

50 Query: 275 DLAKYVAP-GYE-----YNKTEAAKLF---KEGLAESGLT-KLKLTTITADAD 316
 ++ K +A G E YN +A F KE L G+T ++L D
 Sbjct: 387 EVEKEMAKLGDEWKDNLADAQDGFYNPEKAKAEFAKAKEALTAEGVTFFVQLDYPVDQA 446

55 Query: 317 APAAKNSVDYIKSTWEAALPGLTV-----EEKFVTFKQRLSDSRKQNFIDIVVSLWGG 368
 A K + EA+L V E + T + + E +Q++DI+ S WG
 Sbjct: 447 NAATVQEAQSFQKQSVESLQKENVIVNVLETETSTHEAQGFYAETPEQQDYDISSWWGP 506

Query: 369 DYPEGSTF 376
 DY + T+
 Sbjct: 507 DYQDPRTY 514

60 SEQ ID 9294 (GBS663) was expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 137 (lane 3; MW 89.5kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 137 (lane 5-7; MW 64.5kDa), in Figure

179 (lane 11; MW 65kDa) and in Figure 65 (lane 2; MW 61kDa). Purified GBS663-His is shown in Figure 231, lane 3-4. Purified GBS324-His is shown in lane 6 of Figure 210.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

5 Example 93

A DNA sequence (GBSx0095) was identified in *S.galactiae* <SEQ ID 319> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 320>. This protein is predicted to be transmembrane protein OppB (oppB). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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10 Possible site: 37

    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -10.77    Transmembrane    293 - 309 ( 281 - 313)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -9.77     Transmembrane    21 - 37 ( 14 - 46)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -6.32     Transmembrane    115 - 131 ( 105 - 132)
15 INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -4.88     Transmembrane    144 - 160 ( 140 - 166)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -3.03     Transmembrane    238 - 254 ( 237 - 255)

    ----- Final Results -----
    bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5310(Affirmative) < succ>
20 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
    bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 8491> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 8492> was also identified.

25 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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    >GP:AAF73091 GB:AF103793 transmembrane protein OppB [Listeria monocytogenes]
    Identities = 147/304 (48%), Positives = 221/304 (72%), Gaps = 1/304 (0%)

30 Query: 13 MIKYILKRVAILLVTLWVVITLSFFLMQILPGTPYNNP-KLTEEMIALLNKQYGLDKPVW 71
    M+KY LKR+ +L+TL+++ ++F LM+ LPGTPY N KL++E I + N++YGL+ +
    Sbjct: 1 MVKYTLKRVLVMLITLFIASVTFVLMKFLPGTPYRNQKLSDEQIHMTNEKYGLNDSIP 60

    Query: 72 QQYLTYLWNVLHGDFGTSYQSVNQPVSRMISRLGVSVHLGVQALVFGVLGGILVGAISA 131
    QY Y+ ++ GD G S+Q N+PVS ++S +G SV L ++A+ FGV+ GIL+G I+A
35 Sbjct: 61 VQYFNYMTGLVKGDGLGVSFQLDNRVPVSEILSALIGPSVQLALEAMAFGVIFGILLGVIAA 120

    Query: 132 RHKNDKVDGILSVIATLGISMPFSFIIGILLLDYFGFKWNLPLSGWGTFSTILPSLALG 191
    ++N D + IA LG S+PSF+ +L + G K + P++CWGTF+ TILP+ AL
40 Sbjct: 121 MYQNRWPDYTTSTFIAILGKSVPSFVFATVLQYWLGAQLQIFPVAGWGTFADTILPAFALA 180

    Query: 192 LPTLASVSRFFRSEMIETLNSDYQLARSKGMTIRQVTRKHAYRNSMIPILTILIGPLAAG 251
    + LA+ +RF R+E+I+ SDYV LA++KG + +V KHA RN++IP++T++GPL+
50 Sbjct: 181 MFPLATAARFMRTELIDVFASDYVLLAKAKGNSRTEVAVKHAIRNALIPLITVLGPLSVA 240

    Query: 252 LLTGSALIEQIFSIPGIGQQFVTSIPTKDYPMVIMGTTIVYAVMLMVAILITDVVISIVDP 311
    L+TGS +IE I+SIPGIG QFV+SI T DYPVIMGTTI++AVML+ IL+ D++ ++DF
    Sbjct: 241 LMTGSLVIENTIYSIPGIGSQFVSSIQTNDYPVIMGTTILFAVMLVFVILVVDILYGLIDP 300

    Query: 312 RVRL 315
50 R+R+
    Sbjct: 301 RIRV 304

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There is also homology to SEQ ID 64.

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 9069> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9070>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 25
 >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq

INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -8.81	Transmembrane	466 - 482 (463 - 493)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -5.10	Transmembrane	419 - 435 (418 - 440)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -4.78	Transmembrane	328 - 344 (322 - 348)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -4.41	Transmembrane	366 - 382 (365 - 384)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -4.09	Transmembrane	290 - 306 (287 - 311)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -2.97	Transmembrane	17 - 33 (13 - 36)

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4524(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS sequences follows:

Score = 117 bits (291), Expect = 3e-28
 Identities = 61/208 (29%), Positives = 121/208 (57%), Gaps = 4/208 (1%)

Query: 291 IGFFGVMPFSYIVGLPLGLFMRFKNTYFDSFSTATMTFMLALPSIAV-IYVVRFLGGMVG 349
 +G ++F + G+ +G AR KN D + T +++PS + I ++ + G
 Sbjct: 99 LGVQALVFGVLGGILVGAISARHKNDKVDGILSVIATLGISMPFSFIIGILLLDYFGFKWN 158

Query: 350 LPDSFPMLGASDPKSYILPALILGILNIPTTVIWFRRYLVDLQASDWVRFARSKGLSESE 409
 L P+ G ILP+L LG+ + + +FR +++ SD+V+ ARSKG++ +
 Sbjct: 159 L---LPLSGWGTFSQTILPSLAGLPLTASVSRFRSEMIETLNSDYVQLARSKGMTIRQ 215

Query: 410 IYRGHLFKNAMVPIVSGVPASIIAIGGATLTETVFAFFPGMGKMLIDSIKSANNMIVGL 469
 + R H ++N+M+PI++ + + G+ L E +F+ PG+G+ + SI + + +I+G
 Sbjct: 216 VTRKHAYRNSMIPILTILIGPLAAGLLTGSALIEQIFSPGIGQQFVTSIPTKDYVPVIMGT 275

Query: 470 TFIFTVLSIVSLLLGDIVMTLVDPRIKL 497
 T ++ V+ +V++L+ D+V+++VDPR++L
 Sbjct: 276 TIVYAVMLMVAILITDVVISIVDPRVRL 303

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 94

A DNA sequence (GBSx0096) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 321> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 322>. This protein is predicted to be transmembrane protein OppC (oppC). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 59
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -11.52	Transmembrane	311 - 327 (307 - 333)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -7.80	Transmembrane	42 - 58 (40 - 65)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -7.43	Transmembrane	142 - 158 (131 - 165)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -4.73	Transmembrane	182 - 198 (179 - 214)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -3.50	Transmembrane	257 - 273 (257 - 276)

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5607(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAF73092 GB:AF103793 transmembrane protein OppC [Listeria monocytogenes]
 Identities = 157/325 (48%), Positives = 219/325 (67%), Gaps = 4/325 (1%)

Query: 20 EKIEKPALSFMQDAWRRLKIKNLAVVSLYLLALLLTFSLASNLFVTQKDANGFDSKKVTT 79

EKI +P+L+F+QD+W R++KNK A+VSL +LAL++ ++ +++++T
 Sbjct: 22 EKINRPSLTFLQDSWLRIRKNKAALVSLIVLALVIIMAIVGPYLSQNLGPEHNINRQITE 81
 Query: 80 YRNLPPKLSS--NLFFWNGSIKYAGNTESTDAYKSONVPEKVKYALGTDLSGRSVAKRII 137
 +LPPK+ N+PFWNG G E D YK N+ E Y LG+D+LGR RI
 Sbjct: 82 NASLPPKVQGFENMPFWNGHQSIGG--BDVDIYKQNNIKEGTYYWLGSDTLGRDQFARIW 139
 Query: 138 VGRISLVAIAATFIDLIIIGVTYGLVSGFAGGRDLTMQRIVEVISSIPNLVIVTMLGL 197
 G R+SL++A+ A DL+IGV YGL+SG+ GGR+D MQR++EVI +IPNLV+V ++ L
 Sbjct: 140 ACTRVSLIIAVVAALCDLVIGVAYGLISGYVGRVDNFMQRVLEVIGAIPNLVVILMML 199
 Query: 198 VLNGCITAIISIAFTGWTSMRQVRNLTLSYREREFVLAARSLGESPIKIAFKHILPNI 257
 +L GI +III+IA T W +M+R VR L + +EFV+A+ +LGES KI KH++PNI
 Sbjct: 200 ILEPGIVSIIIAIAMTSMITMARVVRGQVLKRKNQEFVMASMTLGESTPKILIKHILPNI 259
 Query: 258 SGIIIVQIMMTPISAIMYEAVALSAINLGVPPTASLGSLISDAQENLQYYPYQVILPALA 317
 SGIII+ IM +IPSAI +EA LS I LG+ P ASLG L++D + LQ PY ++ P +
 Sbjct: 260 SGIIIIINIMFSIPSIFFEAFLSFIGLGLPAPAASLGVLVNDGYKTLQVLPYMILYPCIV 319
 Query: 318 LVMISLAFILLGDGLRDAFDPKSSD 342
 L +I +AF L+ DGLRDAFDPK D
 Sbjct: 320 LCIIMIAFNLIADGLRDAFDPKMRD 344

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 323> which encodes the amino acid
 sequence <SEQ ID 324>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site; 59

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -10.30 Transmembrane 43 - 59 (37 - 65)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -8.49 Transmembrane 111 - 127 (109 - 135)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -6.26 Transmembrane 279 - 295 (270 - 298)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -3.88 Transmembrane 172 - 188 (172 - 188)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -3.61 Transmembrane 145 - 161 (145 - 165)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -1.49 Transmembrane 223 - 239 (223 - 239)
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5118(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 91/325 (28%), Positives = 156/325 (48%), Gaps = 34/325 (10%)
 Query: 16 SSTQEKIEKPALSFMDQAWRRLLKKNKLAVVSLYLLALLLTFSLASNLFTVQKDANGFDSK 75
 S E I+ PA S+ + +R+ K V L +L +L S +F +D
 Sbjct: 16 SEASEVIDTPAYSYSVFRQFFSKKSTVFMLVILVTVMMSFIYPMFAN-----YDFN 69
 Query: 76 KVTYRNLPPKLSSNLFFWNGSIKYAGNTESTDAYKSONVPEKVKYALGTDLSGRSVAKR 135
 V+ + + + +Y GTD G+S+
 Sbjct: 70 DVSNIND-----FSKRYIWPNAEYWFGTDKNGQSLFDG 102
 Query: 136 IIVGIRISLVAIAATFIDLIIIGVTYGLVSGFAGGRDLTMQRIVEVISSIPNLVIVTML 195
 + G R S+L+++ AT I++ IGV G + G + D +M I +IS+IP+++I+ +L
 Sbjct: 103 VWYGARNSILISVIATLINTIGVVLGAIWGVSKA-FDKVMIEIYNIISNIPSMIIIVL 161
 Query: 196 GLVLNGCITAIISIAFTGWTSMRQVRNLTLSYREREFVLAARSLGESPIKIAFKHILP 255
 LG G +I++ TGW ++ +R L YR+ E+ LA+++LG KIA K++LP
 Sbjct: 162 TYSLGAGFWNLILAFCTIGWIGVAYSIRVQILRYRDLEYNLASQTLGTPMYKIAVKNLLP 221
 Query: 256 NISGIIIVQIMMTPISAIMYEAVALSAINLGVPPTASLGSLISDAQENLQYYPYQVILPA 315
 + +I+ + +P + EA LS +G+ T SLG I++ NL Y +P
 Sbjct: 222 QLVSVIMTMSQMLPVYSSEAFLSFFGIGLFTTTPSLGRFIANYSSNLTNAYLFWIPL 281
 Query: 316 LALVMISLAFILLGDGLRDAFDPKS 340
 + L+++SL ++G L DA DP+S

Sbjct: 282 VTLLVSLPLYIVGQNLADSDPRS 306

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

5 Example 95

A DNA sequence (GBSx0097) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 325> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 326>. This protein is predicted to be ATPase OppD (oppD). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

10 Possible site: 20

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.85 Transmembrane 164 - 180 (163 - 180)

15 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1341(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

20 >GP:AAF73093 GB:AF103793 ATPase OppD [*Listeria monocytogenes*]

Identities = 230/342 (67%), Positives = 283/342 (82%), Gaps = 2/342 (0%)

25 Query: 4 ETILSVNNLHVDFTYAGEVKAIRDVNFELKKGETLAIVGESGSGKSVTTTRTLIGLNAK- 62
 E +L V +L++ FHTYAGEVKAIR VNF+L KGETLAIVGESGSGKSVTT++++ L +
 Sbjct: 2 EKLLLEVKDLNISFHTYAGEVKAIRGVNFDLYKGETLAIVGESGSGKSVTTKSIMRLLEPG 61

30 Query: 63 NSEI-SGNVQFKGRNLVELSSEEWTKVRGNEISMIFQDPMTSLDPTMKIGMQIAEFPMIH 121
 NSEI SG + F G ++ + E++ K+RG +I+MIFQDPMTSL+PTM IG QI+EP++ H
 Sbjct: 62 NSEIKSGQILFNGMDIAKAHEKQMOKIRGKDAMIQDPMTSLNPTMTIGKQISEPLIKH 121

35 Query: 122 QKISKKDALKLALMLKDVGIPNAEEHINDYPHQWSSGMRQRAVIAIALAADPEILIAD 181
 QKISK +A K AL L++ VGI NAE E I YPHQ+SGGMRQR VIAI+LA +P+ILIAD
 Sbjct: 122 QKISKHEAHKTALRLQLVGIANAEEERIKQYPHQFSGGMRQRVIAISLACNPQILIAD 181

40 Query: 182 PTTALDVTIQAQILNLMKKIQAERDSSIVFITHDLGVVAGMADRVAVMYAGKIVEFGTVD 241
 PTTALDVTIQAQIL+LMK +Q + D+SI+FITHDLGVVA +ADRVAVMY GKIVE GTVD
 Sbjct: 182 PTTALDVTIQAQILDLMKDLQKKIDTSIIFITHDLGVVANVADRVAVMYGGKIVEIGTVD 241

45 Query: 242 EVFYNPQHPYTWGLLNSMPTTDTESGSLIESIPGTPPDLLNPPKGDFAFAARNEFALDIDHE 301
 E+FYNPQHPYTWGL++SMPT DT+ L IPGTPPDLL+PPKGDFAFAARN++A+ ID E
 Sbjct: 242 EIFYNPQHPYTWGLISSMPTLDTDEELFVIPGTPPDLLHPPKGDFAFAARNKYAMQIDLE 301

Query: 302 EEPFYFKVSETHFAATWLLDERSPKVLPPLPIQKRWEKWNEI 343
 EEPF FKVS+TH+AATWLL +P+V PP + +R E++ E+
 Sbjct: 302 EEPPLFKVSDTHYAATWLLHPDAPEVTPPDVLRREQEFAEL 343

There is also homology to SEQ ID 72.

50 SEQ ID 326 (GBS375) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 64 (lane 9; MW 42kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 71 (lane 3; MW 67kDa).

GBS375-GST was purified as shown in Figure 215, lane 10.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 96

A DNA sequence (GBSx0098) was identified in *S. agalactiae* <SEQ ID 327> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 328>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 28
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3060(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAA62692 GB:M57689 sporulation protein [Bacillus subtilis]
 Identities = 195/308 (63%), Positives = 245/308 (79%), Gaps = 4/308 (1%)
 Query: 1 MTENRKKLVEVKVNSLTFNKGKANEVRAIDNVSFDIYEGEVFGLVGESGSGKTTVGRSIL 60
 M E +KL+E+K++ F + V+A+D++SFDIY+GE GLVGESG GK+T GRSI+
 Sbjct: 1 MNELTEKLLLEIKHLKQHFVTPRGTVKAVDDLSDFIYKGETLGLVGESGCGKSTTGRSII 59
 Query: 61 KLYDISDGEITFNGEVISHLKG-KALHSFRKDAQMIFQDPQASLNGRMKIRDIVAEGLDI 119
 +LY+ +DGE+ FNGE + K K L F + QMIFQDP ASLN RM + DI+AEGLDI
 Sbjct: 60 RLYEATDGEVLFNGENVHGRKSRKKLLEFNKMQMIFQDPYASLNPRMTVADIIAEGLDI 119
 Query: 120 HKLAKSKSDRDSKVQALLDLVGLNKDHLTRYPHFSGGQRQIRIGIARALAVEPKFIIDE 179
 HKLAK+K +R +V LL+ VGLNK+H RYPHEFSGGQRQIRIGIARALAV+P+FIIDE
 Sbjct: 120 HKLAKTKKERMQRVHELLETVGLNKEHANRYPHEFSGGQRQIRIGIARALAVDPEFIIDE 179
 Query: 180 PISALDVSIIQAQVVNLMQKLQREQGLTYLFIADLSMVKYISDRIGVMHWGKLLLEVGTSD 239
 PISALDVSIIQAQVVNLM++LQ+E+GLTYLFIADLSMVKYISDRIGVM++GKL+E+ +D
 Sbjct: 180 PISALDVSIIQAQVVNLMKELQKEKGLTYLFIADLSMVKYISDRIGVMYFGKLVELAPAD 239
 Query: 240 DVYNNPIHPYTKSLLSAIPDPESERQVRVHQPYNPAIEQ--DGQERQMHEITPGHFVLS 297
 ++Y NP+HPYTKSLLSAIP PDP+ ER RV Q Y+P++ Q DG+ + E+ PGHFV+
 Sbjct: 240 ELYENPLHPYTKSLLSAIPLPDPDYERNVRQKYDPSVHQLKDGETMEFREVVKPGHFVVC 299
 Query: 298 TPQEAEY 305
 T E + +
 Sbjct: 300 TEAEFKAF 307

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S. pyogenes* <SEQ ID 329> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 330>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 47
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3900(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 164/306 (53%), Positives = 228/306 (73%), Gaps = 3/306 (0%)
 Query: 6 KKLVEVKVNSLTFNKGKANEVRAIDNVSFDIYEGEVFGLVGESGSGKTTVGRSILKLYDI 65
 +KLVEVK++ ++F +GK V A+ N +F I +GE F LVGESGSGKTT+GR+I+ L D
 Sbjct: 3 EKLVEVKDLEISFGEGKKKFV-AVKANFFIKKGETFSLVGESGSGKTTIGRAIIGLNDT 61
 Query: 66 SDGEITFNGEVISHLKGKA-LHSFRKDAQMIFQDPQASLNGRMKIRDIVAEGLDIHKLAK 124
 S G+I ++G+VI+ K K+ + + QMIFQDP ASLN R + I++EGL L K
 Sbjct: 62 SSGQILYDGKVINGRKSKSEANELIRKIQMIQDPAASLNERATVDYIIEGLYNFNLFK 121

Query: 125 SKSDRDSKVQALLDLVGLNKDHLTRYPHEFSGGQRORIGIARALAVEPKFIIADEPISAL 184
 ++ +R K++ ++ VGL +HLTRYPHEFSGGQRORIGIARAL + P+F+IADEPISAL
 Sbjct: 122 TEEERKEKIKNMMAEVGLLSEHLTRYPHEFSGGQRORIGIARALVMNPEFVIADEPISAL 181

5

Query: 185 DVSIQAQVNVNLMQKLQREQGLTYLFIAHDLSMVKYISDRIGVMHWGKLEVGTSDDVYNN 244
 DVS++AQV+NL++++Q E+GLTYLFIAHDLS+V++ISDRI V+H G ++EV +++++NN
 Sbjct: 182 DVSVRAQVLNLLKRMQAEKGLTYLFIAHDLSVVRFISDRIAVIHKGVIVEVAETEELFNN 241

10

Query: 245 PIHPYTKSLLSAIPEPDPESERQVRHQPYNPAIEQDQGER-QMHEITPGHFVLSTPQEAE 303
 PIHPYT+SLLSA+P PDP ERQ+ Y+P ++ M EI P HFV + E E
 Sbjct: 242 PIHPYTQSLLSAVPIPDPIERQKELVVYHPDQHDYTLDKPSMVEIKPNHFVWANQAEIE 301

15

Query: 304 EYKKQI 309
 +Y+K++
 Sbjct: 302 KYQKEL 307

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

20 Example 97

A repeated DNA sequence (GBSx0099) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 331> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 332>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 28

25 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3021(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 30 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 98

A repeated DNA sequence (GBSx0100) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 333> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 334>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 24

40 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0352(Affirmative) < succ>
 45 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

50 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 99

A repeated DNA sequence (GBSx0101) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 335> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 336>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

5 Possible site: 23

 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

 ----- Final Results -----

10 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.5857(Affirmative) < succ>

 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

15 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 100

A repeated DNA sequence (GBSx0103) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 337> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 338>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

20 Possible site: 14

 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

 ----- Final Results -----

25 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1472(Affirmative) < succ>

 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

30 No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 101

35 A repeated DNA sequence (GBSx0104) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 339> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 340>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

 Possible site: 13

 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

40 ----- Final Results -----

 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0111(Affirmative) < succ>

 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

45 The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 102

A repeated DNA sequence (GBSx0105) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 341> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 342>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 20

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

10 ----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.5628 (Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

15 The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 103

20 A repeated DNA sequence (GBSx0106) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 343> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 344>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 39

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

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----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2059 (Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

30

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

35 Example 104

A repeated DNA sequence (GBSx0107) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 345> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 346>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 21

40 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2045 (Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

45

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 105

- 5 A DNA sequence (GBSx0108) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 347> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 348>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 36

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3031(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAB11822 GB:Z99104 similar to hypothetical proteins [Bacillus subtilis]
Identities = 125/282 (44%), Positives = 184/282 (64%)

Query: 1 MKIFEKAPAKLNGLDIDKGRCDGYSYHELAMIMVSIIDLNDYVTISELKEDCIVIDSDDSKM 60
M+I EKAPAK+NL LD+ + DGYHE+ MIM +IDL D + ++EL ED + + S + +
Sbjct: 1 MRILEKAPAKINLSLDVTRKRPDGYHEVEMIMTTIDLADRIELTEAEDEVVRVSSHNRV 60

Query: 61 PLNNDNDVFKAADTIKNQYGINQGVHIREKSIPVCAGLGGGSTDAAATIRAINRLWNLQ 120
P + N ++AA +IK++Y + KGV I + K IPV AGL GGS+DAAAT+R LNRLWNL
Sbjct: 61 PDDQRNLAYQAALIKDRYNVKKGVSIMITKVIPIVAAAGLAGGSSDAAATLRGLNRLWNLN 120

Query: 121 MDYDEMVAIGFKIGSDVPYCLGGGCSLVLGKGEIVKPLPTLRPCWIVLVKPDFGISTKSI 180
+ + + +G +IGSDV +C+ GG +L G+GE +K + T CW++L KP G+ST +
Sbjct: 121 LSAETLAEIGAEIGSDVSFCVYGGTALATGRGEKIKHISTPPHCWVILAKPTIGVSTAEV 180

Query: 181 FRDIDCKSISRVDIDLKSAILSSDYQLMVKSMGNSLEDTITKNFVISTIKERMNLNSGA 240
+R + I D+ + AI +Q M +GN LE +T+ +P ++ IK +M GA
Sbjct: 181 YRALKLDGIEHPDVQGMIEAIEEKSFKMKCSRLGNVLESVTLDMHPEVAMIKNQMKRFGA 240

Query: 241 DVALMTGSGPTVFSMCSTEKKADRVFNSMKGFCKEVYKVRLL 282
D LM+GSGPTVF + E K R++N ++GFC +VY VR++
Sbjct: 241 DAVLMGSGPTVFGVLVQYESKVQRIYNGLRGFCQVYAVRMI 282

- 40 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 349> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 350>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 44

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -2.87 Transmembrane 28 - 44 (27 - 45)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.2147(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 33/52 (63%), Positives = 38/52 (72%)

Query: 126 MVAIGFKIGSDVPYCLGGGCSLVLGKGEIVKPLPTLRPCWIVLVKPDFGIST 177
M+ IG IGSDVPYCL GC+ V GKGE+V + L W+VLVKPDFGIST
Sbjct: 1 MMDIGIPIGSDVPYCLLSGCAQVTGKGEVVCRIILGLSSWVVLVKPDFGIST 52

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 106

A DNA sequence (GBSx0109) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 351> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 352>. This protein is predicted to be AdcR protein. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 19

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1264(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAA96184 GB:Z71552 AdcR protein [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
Identities = 77/146 (52%), Positives = 117/146 (79%)

Query: 1 MTVLEQKLDHLVLSQILLKAENQHLLFGTCQSDVKLTNTQEHILMLLSQEQLTNSDLAKK 60
M L + ++ +++++L+AENQHE+L G C S+V LTNTQEHILMLLS+E LTNS+LA++
Sbjct: 1 MRQLAKDINAFLEVLQAENQHEILIGHCTSEVALTNTQEHILMLLSSESLTNSSELARR 60

Query: 61 LNISQAAVTKAVKSLISQDMLKANKDSKDARITYFELSELAKPIADEHTHHHDNTLGVYG 120
LN+SQAAVTKA+KSL+ + ML+ +KDSKDAR+ +++L++LA+PIA+EH HHH++TL Y
Sbjct: 61 LNVSQAAVTKAIKSLVKEGMLTSKDSKDARVIFYQLTDLARPIAEHHHHHEHTLLTYE 120

Query: 121 RLVNHFSKDEKVVLERFLDLFSRELE 146
++ F+ +E+ V++RFL E++
Sbjct: 121 QVATQFTPNEQKVIQRFLTALVGEIK 146

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 353> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 354>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 28

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1536(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 106/147 (72%), Positives = 126/147 (85%)

Query: 1 MTVLEQKLDHLVLSQILLKAENQHLLFGTCQSDVKLTNTQEHILMLLSQEQLTNSDLAKK 60
M +LE+KLD+LV+ ILLKAENQHLLFG CQSDVKLTNTQEHILMLLSQ++LTN+DLAK
Sbjct: 1 MGILEKKLDNLVNTIILLKAENQHLLFGACQSDVKLTNTQEHILMLLSQQRLTNTDLAKA 60

Query: 61 LNISQAAVTKAVKSLISQDMLKANKDSKDARITYFELSELAKPIADEHTHHHDNTLGVYG 120
LNISQAAVTKA+KSL+ QDML KD+ DAR+TYFEL+ELAKPIA EHTHHHD TL VY
Sbjct: 61 LNISQAAVTKAIKSLVQDMLAGTKDTVDARVITYFELTELAKPIASEHTHHHDETILNVYN 120

Query: 121 RLVNHFSKDEKVVLERFLDLFSRELEG 147
RL+ FS E +++++F+ +F+ ELEGE
Sbjct: 121 RLLQKFSAKELEIVDKFVTVFABELEGE 147

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 107

A DNA sequence (GBSx0110) was identified in *S. agalactiae* <SEQ ID 355> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 356>. This protein is predicted to be AdcC protein. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 43

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1089(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAA96186 GB:Z71552 AdcC protein [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
Identities = 182/231 (78%), Positives = 206/231 (88%)

Query: 1 MRYITVSGLTFOYDSDFVLEGVNYHLDSGEFVTLTGENGAAKSTLIKATLGILTPKVGTV 60
MRYITV L+F YD +PVLE +NY +DSGEFVTLTGENGAAK+TLIKA+LGIL P++G V
Sbjct: 1 MRYITVEDLSFYDKEPVLEHINYCVDSEGEFVTLTGENGAAKTTLIKASLGILQPRIGKV 60

Query: 61 NISKENKEGKKLRIAYLPQQIASFNAGFPSSVYEFVKSGRYPRNGWFRRLTKHDEEHIRV 120
ISK N +GKKLRIAYLPQQIASFNAGFPSS+VYEFVKSGRYPR GWFRRL HDEEHI+
Sbjct: 61 AISKNTNQKKLRIAYLPQQIASFNAGFPSTVYEFVKSGRYPRKGWFRRLNAHDEEHIKA 120

Query: 121 SLEAVGMWDNRHKKIGSLSGGQKQRAVIARMFASDPDIFVLDEPTTGMDAGTTEKFYELM 180
SL++VGMW++R K++GSLSGGQKQRAVIARMFASDPD+F+LDEPTTGMDAG+ +FYELM
Sbjct: 121 SLDSVGMWEHRDKRLGSLSGGQKQRAVIARMFASDPDVFILDEPTTGMDAGSKNEFYELM 180

Query: 181 HHNAHKHGKSVLMITHDPDEVKGYADRNHILVRNQSLPWRFCFNVHTNEMEV 231
HH+AH HGK+VLMITHDP+EVK YADRNHILVRNQ PWRFCFNVH N EV
Sbjct: 181 HHSAHHHGKAVLMITHDPEEVKDYADRNHILVRNQDSPWRFCFNVHENGQEV 231

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S. pyogenes* <SEQ ID 357> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 358>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 43

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2722(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 190/232 (81%), Positives = 214/232 (91%)

Query: 1 MRYITVSGLTFOYDSDFVLEGVNYHLDSGEFVTLTGENGAAKSTLIKATLGILTPKVGTV 60
MRYI+V L+FQY+S+PVLEG+ YHLDSEGEFVT+TGENGAAKSTLIKATLGIL PK G V
Sbjct: 1 MRYISVKNLSPQYSEFPVLEGITYHLDSEGEFVTMTGENGAAKSTLIKATLGILQPKAGRV 60

Query: 61 NISKENKEGKKLRIAYLPQQIASFNAGFPSSVYEFVKSGRYPRNGWFRRLTKHDEEHIRV 120
I+K+NK+GK+LRIAYLPQQ+ASFNAGFPSS+VYEFVKSGRYPR+GWFR L KHDEEH++
Sbjct: 61 TIAKKNKDGKQLRIAYLPQQVASFNAGFPSTVYEFVKSGRYPRSGWFRHLNKHDEEHVQA 120

Query: 121 SLEAVGMWDNRHKKIGSLSGGQKQRAVIARMFASDPDIFVLDEPTTGMDAGTTEKFYELM 180

SLEAVGMW+NRHK+IGSLSGGQKQR VIARMFASDPDIFVLDEPTTGMD+GTT+ FYELM
 Sbjct: 121 SLEAVGMWENRHKRIGSLSGGQKQRVVIARMFASDPDIFVLDEPTTGMDSGTTDTFYELM 180

Query: 181 HENAHHKHKSVLMITHDPDEVKGYADRNHLVRNQSLFWRCFNVHTNEMEVE 232
 HH+AH+HGKSVLMITHDP+EVK YADRNHLVRNQ LPWRCFN+H E + E
 Sbjct: 181 HNSAHQHGKSVLMITHDPPEVKAYADRNHLVRNQKLPWRCFNIHEAETDDE 232

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

10 Example 108

A DNA sequence (GBSx0111) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 359> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 360>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 36

15 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

20 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2299(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 109

A DNA sequence (GBSx0112) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 361> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 362>. This protein is predicted to be AdcB protein (znuB). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

30 Possible site: 36

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

35 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -14.33 Transmembrane 145 - 161 (136 - 172)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -11.57 Transmembrane 29 - 45 (20 - 47)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -10.56 Transmembrane 261 - 277 (255 - 280)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -8.70 Transmembrane 231 - 247 (227 - 253)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -5.63 Transmembrane 101 - 117 (99 - 121)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -4.94 Transmembrane 186 - 202 (183 - 225)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -3.82 Transmembrane 55 - 71 (54 - 74)
 40 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -3.61 Transmembrane 206 - 222 (203 - 225)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -3.03 Transmembrane 78 - 94 (75 - 94)

----- Final Results -----

45 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.6731(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9487> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9488> was also identified.

50 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAA96187 GB:Z71552 AdcB protein [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
 Identities = 197/263 (74%), Positives = 236/263 (88%)

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Query: 13 LLDMLSYDFMQRALLAVVAISIFAPILGIFLILRRQSLMSDTLSHVSLAGVALGVVLGIS 72
 +L +LSYDF+QRA LAV+A+S+F+P+LG FLILRRQSLMSDTLSHVSL+GVA G+VLGIS
 5 Sbjct: 1 MLSLLSYDFIQRAFLAVIAMSLFSPVLGTFLILRRQSLMSDTLSHVSLSGVAFGLVLGIS 60

Query: 73 PTWSTIFVVTAAAVVLEYLRTVYKHYMEISTAILMSGLAISLIVMSKAHNVGNVSLEQY 132
 PT STI +V +AAV LEYLRTVYK +MEI TAILMS GLA+SLIVMSK + ++SL+QY
 Sbjct: 61 PTVSTIAIVLIAAVFLEYLRTVYKSFMEIGTAILMSTGLAVSLIVMSKKGKSSSSMSLDQY 120

10 Query: 133 LFGSIITIGKEQVIALFVIALITFILFIRPMYILTFDEDTAFVDGLPVRTMSILFNV 192
 LFGSI+TI +EQVI+LFVIA + ILT LF+RPMYILTFDEDTAFVDGLPVRTMSILFN+
 Sbjct: 121 LFGSIVTISEEQVISLFVIAAVVLILTFLFLRPMYILTFDEDTAFVDGLPVRTMSILFNM 180

15 Query: 193 VTGIAIALTIPAGALLVSTIMVLPASIAMRLGRNFKTVIFLGMLIGFVGMVAGIFLSYY 252
 VTG+AIAL IPAAGALLVSTIMVLPASIA+RLG+NFK+V+ L IGF+GMVAG+++SY
 Sbjct: 181 VTGVAIALMIPAAGALLVSTIMVLPASIALRLGKNFKSVMLLASAIGFLGMVAGLYISYY 240

Query: 253 WETPASATITMIFIGIFLLVSLV 275
 ETPASA+IT+IF+ +F+L+SLV
 20 Sbjct: 241 AETPASASITIIFFVTVFILISLV 263

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 363> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 364>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 18
 25 >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.

INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -14.97	Transmembrane	135 - 151 (123 - 162)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -9.08	Transmembrane	68 - 84 (44 - 86)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -6.95	Transmembrane	20 - 36 (19 - 37)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -6.90	Transmembrane	251 - 267 (245 - 270)
30 INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -6.58	Transmembrane	221 - 237 (217 - 243)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -6.42	Transmembrane	91 - 107 (89 - 111)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -4.78	Transmembrane	176 - 192 (171 - 215)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -3.82	Transmembrane	45 - 61 (44 - 67)
35 INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -3.61	Transmembrane	196 - 212 (193 - 215)

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.6986(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 40 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

>GP:CAA96187 GB:Z71552 AdcB protein [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
 Identities = 195/262 (74%), Positives = 239/262 (90%)

45 Query: 3 MLDILFYDFMQRAMAVVAISIFAPILGIFLILRRQSLMSDTLSHVSLAGVALGVVLGIS 62
 ML +L YDF+QRA +AV+A+S+F+P+LG FLILRRQSLMSDTLSHVSL+GVA G+VLGIS
 Sbjct: 1 MLSLLSYDFIQRAFLAVIAMSLFSPVLGTFLILRRQSLMSDTLSHVSLSGVAFGLVLGIS 60

Query: 63 PTTTTIIVVLAAILLEYLRVVYKHYMEISTAILMSGLALSIIIMSKSHSSSSMSLEQY 122
 PT++TI +V++AA+ LEYLRTVYK +MEI TAILMS GLA+SLI+MSK SSSMSL+QY
 50 Sbjct: 61 PTVSTIAIVLIAAVFLEYLRTVYKSFMEIGTAILMSTGLAVSLIVMSKKGKSSSSMSLDQY 120

Query: 123 LFGSIITISMEQVVALFAIAAILLITVLFIRPMYILTFDEDTAFVDGLPVRMLMSVLFNI 182
 LFGSI+TIS EQV++LF IAA++LILT LF+RPMYILTFDEDTAFVDGLPVR MS+LFN+
 55 Sbjct: 121 LFGSIVTISEEQVISLFVIAAVVLILTFLFLRPMYILTFDEDTAFVDGLPVRTMSILFNM 180

Query: 183 VTGVAIALTIPAGALLVSTIMVLPASIAMRLGKNFKTVILLGIVIGFSGMLSGIFLSYF 242
 VTGVAIAL IPAAGALLVSTIMVLPASIA+RLGKNFK+V+LL IGF GM++G+++SY+
 60 Sbjct: 181 VTGVAIALMIPAAGALLVSTIMVLPASIALRLGKNFKSVMLLASAIGFLGMVAGLYISYY 240

Query: 243 FETPASATITMIFISIFLLVSL 264
 ETPASA+IT+IF+++F+L+SL
 Sbjct: 241 AETPASASITIIFFVTVFILISLV 262

65 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

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Identities = 223/270 (82%), Positives = 252/270 (92%)

5 Query: 12 MLLDMLSYDFMQRALLAVVAISIFAPILGIFLILRRQSLMSDTLSHVSLAGVALGVVGLI 71
 ++LD+L YDFMQRRA++AVVAISIFAPILGIFLILRRQSLMSDTLSHVSLAGVALGVVGLI
 Sbjct: 2 VMLDILFYDFMQRAMAVVAISIFAPILGIFLILRRQSLMSDTLSHVSLAGVALGVVGLI 61

10 Query: 72 SPTWSTIFVVTLAAVVLEYLRIVYKHYMEISTAILMSMGLAISLIVMSKAHNVGNVSLEQ 131
 SPT +TI VV LAA++LEYLR VYKHYMEISTAILMS+GLA+SLI+MSK+H+ ++SLEQ
 Sbjct: 62 SPTITITIVVTLAAAILLEYLRVYKHYMEISTAILMSLGLALSIIIMSKSHSSSSMSLEQ 121

15 Query: 132 YLFGSIITIGKEQVIALFVIALITFILITLIRPMYILTFDEDTAFVDGLPVRTMSILFN 191
 YLFGSIITI EQV+ALF IA I ILT+LIRPMYILTFDEDTAFVDGLPVR MS+LFN
 Sbjct: 122 YLFGSIITISMEQVVALFAIAAIIILITVLIRPMYILTFDEDTAFVDGLPVRMSVLFN 181

20 Query: 192 VVTGIAIALTIPAAGALLVSTIMVLPASIAMRLGRNFKTVIFLGMILIGFVGMVAGIFLSY 251
 +VTG+AIALTIPAAGALLVSTIMVLPASIAMRLG+NFKTVI LG++IGF GM++GIFLSY
 Sbjct: 182 IVTGVAIALTIPAAGALLVSTIMVLPASIAMRLGKNFKTVILLGIVIGFSGMLSGIFLSY 241

Query: 252 YWETPASATITMIFIGIFLLVSLVGLLRKR 281
 ++ETPASATITMIFI IFLVSL G+L+KR
 Sbjct: 242 FFETPASATITMIFISIFLLVSLGGMLKKR 271

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

25 Example 110

A DNA sequence (GBSx0113) was identified in *S. agalactiae* <SEQ ID 365> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 366>. This protein is predicted to be streptodornase. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

30 Possible site: 59

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

35 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2601(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

40 >GP:CAA59264 GB:X84793 streptodornase [Streptococcus pyogenes]
 Identities = 58/167 (34%), Positives = 85/167 (50%), Gaps = 30/167 (17%)

Query: 2 TPIYEGNNLVPSRVELQYVGIDKQGKLEIKLGGGKEQVDEYGVTTVTLENTSPLAKIDY 61
 TP+Y+G+ L+P V + + D +DE TV + N IDY
 Sbjct: 245 TPVYQGSELLPRAVLVSALSSDGF-----IDE---TVRVFNNVAGFNIDY 286

45 Query: 62 KT'GMLIKEDGKQAEGERGDPNSDADENEAIE-SASDIEENTNTINTSESDTNNVAPQNRIV 120
 + G L+ E P ++ D E +E + IE+ +T+T + D N++ Q + V
 Sbjct: 287 QNGGLLTFES-----PVTETDNEENVEDNIETIEDEVDTDTLKKDDENISLQ-KTV 336

50 Query: 121 YVANKGRSNTYWYSLNI-KNANTANIVQMTEQEALNQKHHSSTEA 166
 YVA+ G SN YWYS EN+ KN N +V+M+EQ AL + KHHS EA
 Sbjct: 337 YVASSGLSNVYWSKENMPKNVNLDKVEMSEQTALARGKHHSQAQA 383

55 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S. pyogenes* <SEQ ID 367> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 368>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 31

>>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.

----- Final Results -----

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.3000 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 51/90 (56%), Positives = 66/90 (72%), Gaps = 4/90 (4%)

Query: 1 MTPIYEGNNLVPSRVELQYVGIDKQGKLEIKLGGGKEQVDEYGVTTVTLENTSPLAKID 60
 +TP+Y N LVP +V LQYVGID+ G LL+IKLG KE VD +GVT+VTL+N SPLA++D
 10 Sbjet: 182 VTFVYHKNELVPRQVVLQYVGIDENGDLQIKLGSEKESVDNFGVTSVTLDNVSEPLAELD 241

Query: 61 YKTGMLIKEDGKQAEEGEDPNSDADENEAA 90
 Y+TGM++ D Q E ED N + +E E A
 15 Sbjet: 242 YQTGMML--DSTQNE--EDSNLETEEFEEA 267

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 111

20 A DNA sequence (GBSx0114) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 369> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 370>. This protein is predicted to be tyrosyl-tRNA synthetase (tyrS-1). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 60

25 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3618 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 30 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAC00303 GB:AF008220 tyrosine tRNA synthetase [Bacillus subtilis]
 Identities = 234/420 (55%), Positives = 311/420 (73%), Gaps = 2/420 (0%)

35 Query: 2 NIFDELKERGLVFQTTDEDALRKALEEGSVSYTYGYDPTADSLHLGHLVAILTSRRLQLA 61
 N+ ++L RGL+ Q TDE+ L K L E + Y+G+DPTADSLH+GHL+ ILT RR QLA
 Sbjet: 3 NLLEDLSFRGLIQMTDEGLNKQLNEEKIRLYSGFDPTADSLHIGHLLPILTLRRFQLA 62

40 Query: 62 GHKPYALVGGATGLIGDPSFKDVERSLQTKTVVSWGNKIRGQLSNFLEFETGDNKAVLV 121
 GH P ALVGGATGLIGDPS K ER+L T V W KI+ QLS FL+FE +N AV+
 Sbjet: 63 GHHPIALVGGATGLIGDPSGKKAERTLNTADIVSEWSQIKNQLSRFLDFEAAENPAVIA 122

45 Query: 122 NNYDWFSNISFIDFLRDVGKYFTVNYMMSKESVKKRIETGISYTEFAYQIMQGYDFYELN 181
 NN+DW ++ IDFLRDVGK F +NYM++K++V RIE+GISYTEF+Y I+Q YDF L
 Sbjet: 123 NNFWDWIGKMNVIDFLRDVGKNFGINYLAKDTVSSRIESGISYTEFSYMILQSYDFLNLX 182

50 Query: 182 KNYNVTLQIGGSDQWGNMTAGTELIRR--KNSGVSHVMTVPLITDSTGKKFGKSEGNVAV 239
 ++ N LQIGGSDQWGN+TAG ELIR+ + + +T+PL+T + G KFGK+EG A+W
 Sbjet: 183 RDKNCKLQIGGSDQWGNITAGLELIRKSEEGAKAFGLTIPLVTKADGTFKFGKTEGGAIW 242

55 Query: 240 LDADKTSPEYMYQFWLNVMDADAVRFLKIFTFLSLKEIEDIRIQFEEAPHQRLAQKTLAR 299
 LD +KTSPEY YQFW+N D D V++LK FTFLS +EIE + E AP +R AQK LA
 Sbjet: 243 LDKEKTSPEYFYQFWINTDDRVDVVKYLYFTFLSKEEIRAYAEKTETAPEKREAAQKRLAE 302

60 Query: 300 EVVTLVHGEKAYKEAVNITEQLFAGNIKGLSVKELKQGLRGVPNYHVQTEDNLNIIDLLV 359
 EV +LVHG +A ++A+NI++ LF+GNIK LS +++K G + VP+ V + L+++D+LV
 Sbjet: 303 EVTSLVHGREALEQAINISQALFSGNIKELSAQDVVKVGFCDVPSMEVDSTQELSLVDVLV 362

Query: 360 TSGVVNSKRQAREDSNGAIYINGDRIQDLEYTISENDKLENEITVIRRGKKKYFVLNFK 419

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S + SKRQARED+ NGA+YING+R ++ YT+S D++EN+ TV+RRGKKKYF++ +K
 Sbjct: 363 QSKLSPSKRQAREDIQNGAVYINGERQTEINYTLSGEDRIENQFTVLRGKKKYFLVITYK 422

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 371> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 372>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 37

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2340(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 344/418 (82%), Positives = 377/418 (89%)

Query: 1 MNIFDELKERGLVFQTTDEDALRKALEEGSVSYTYGYDPTADSLHLGHLVAILTSTRRLQL 60
 MNIF+ELK RGLVFQTTDE AL KAL EG VSYTYGYDPTADSLHLGHLVAILTSTRRLQL
 Sbjct: 1 MNIFELKARGLVFQTTDEQALVKALTEGQVSYTYGYDPTADSLHLGHLVAILTSTRRLQL 60

Query: 61 AGHKPYALVGGATGLIGDPSFKDVERSLQTKKTVVSWGNKIRGQLSNFLEFETGDNKAVL 120
 AGHKPYALVGGATGLIGDPSFKD ERSLOTK+TV+ W +KI+GQLS FL+FE GDNKA L
 Sbjct: 61 AGHKPYALVGGATGLIGDPSFKDAERSLQTKETVLEWSDKIKGQLSTFLDFENGDNKAEL 120

Query: 121 VNNDWFNSISFIDFLRDVGKYFTVNYMMSKESVKKRIETGISYTEFAYQIMQGYDFYEL 180
 VNNDWFNS ISFIDFLRDVGKYFTVNYMMSK+SVKKRIETGISYTEFAYQIMQGYDFYEL
 Sbjct: 121 VNNDWFNSQISFIDFLRDVGKYFTVNYMMSKDSVKKRIETGISYTEFAYQIMQGYDFYEL 180

Query: 181 NKNYNVTLQIGGSDQWGNMTAGTELIRRKSNVSHVMTVPLITDSTGKKFGKSEGNVAVL 240
 N +NVTLQIGGSDQWGNMTAGTEL+R+K++ HVMTVPLITDSTGKKFGKSEGNVAVL
 Sbjct: 181 NDKHNVTLQIGGSDQWGNMTAGTELLRKKADKTGHVMTVPLITDSTGKKFGKSEGNVAVL 240

Query: 241 DADKTSPYEMYQFWLNVMDADAVRFLKIFTFLSLKEIEDIRIQFEEAPHQRLAQKTLARE 300
 DADKTSPYEMYQFWLNVMD DAVRFLKIFTFLSL EI +I QF A H+RLAQKTLARE
 Sbjct: 241 DADKTSPYEMYQFWLNVMDDDAVRFLKIFTFLSLDEIAEIQFNAARHERLAQKTLARE 300

Query: 301 VVTLVHGEKAYKEAVNITEQLFAGNIKGLSVKELKQGLRGVPNYHVQTEDNLNIIDLLVT 360
 VVTLVHGE+AYK+A+NITEQLFAGNIK LS ELKQGL VPNYHVQ+ DN NI+++LV
 Sbjct: 301 VVTLVHGEAYKQALNITEQLFAGNIKLSANELKQGLSNVPNYHVQSIDNHNIVEILVA 360

Query: 361 SGVVNSKRQAREDSNGAIYINGDRIQDLEYTTISENDKLENEITVIRRGKKKYFVLNF 418
 + + SKRQAREDV NGAIYINGDR+QDL+Y +S +DK++++TVIRRGKKKY VL +
 Sbjct: 361 AKISPSKRQAREDVONGAIYINGDRVQDLLYQLSNDKIDDLTVIRRGKKKYAVLTY 418

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 112

A DNA sequence (GBSx0115) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 373> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 374>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 53

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

INTEGRAL Likelihood =-12.21 Transmembrane 36 - 52 (23 - 59)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5883(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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>GP:AAF04736 GB:AF101781 penicillin-binding protein 1b
  [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
  Identities = 445/769 (57%), Positives = 581/769 (74%), Gaps = 9/769 (1%)

5   Query: 3   KGNKKLNSSKLGDYTP---LEFGSIFLRI---VKLLSDFIYVILLFVMLGVGLAVGYL 55
      K K      K G T      L+ +IF I   +K L + ++V+ L MLG G+A+GY
      Sbjct: 21 KKKKSARPGKKSSTKSKTLDKSAIFPAILLSIKALFNLLFVLGFLGGMGLGAGIALGYG 80

10  Query: 56 ASQVDSVKVPSKNSLVTQVNTLTRVSRITYSDKSQISEIATDLQRTFVAKDAISDNikka 115
      + D V+VP      LV QV ++ +S +TYS D + I+ I +DL RT ++ + IS+N+KKA
      Sbjct: 81 VALFDKVRVPQTEELVNQVKDISSISEITYSDGTVIASIESDLLRTSISSEQISENLKKA 140

15  Query: 116 IIAITEDENFNDHKGVPKAVLRRAAGSVLGFGESSGGSTLTQQLKQQLGDDPSFKRKS 175
      IIAI+DE+F +HKGVPKAV+RA G +G G SSGGSTLTQQL+KQQ++GD P+ RK+
      Sbjct: 141 IIAI+DEHFKHKGVPKAVIRATLGKFGVGLSSSGGSTLTQQLIKQQVVDAPTARKA 200

20  Query: 176 KEIIYALALERYMDKDSILSDYLNVPFGRNNKGQNIAGIEEAAQGIFGVSAKDLTIPQA 235
      EI+ ALALER M+KD IL+ YLNV+PFGNNKGQNIAG +AA+GIFGV A LT+PQA
      Sbjct: 201 AEIVDALALERAMNKDEILITTYLNVAPFGRNNKGQNIAGARQAEGIFGVDSQLTVPQA 260

      Query: 236 AFLAGLPQSPPIVSPYTADAQLKSDKDLSEFGIKRQKNVLYNMYRTRALTKDEYKSKDYD 295
      AFLAGLPQSEI YSPY +LKSD+DL G++R K VLY+MYRT AL+KDEY YKDYD
      Sbjct: 261 AFLAGLPQSPITYSPYENTGELKSDDELEIGLRRAKAVLYSMYRTGALSKDEYSQYKDYD 320

25  Query: 296 IKKDFIKPAVATTNHHDYLYSALSEAQKVMYNYLIKKNVSEHDLKNDETRATYRHRAI 355
      +K+DF+      T      DYLY++ L+EAQ+ MY+YL ++DNVS +LKN+ T+ YR A
      Sbjct: 321 LKQDFLPSGTVTGISRDYLYFTTLAEAQERMYDYLAQRDNVSAKELKNEATQKFYRDLA 380

30  Query: 356 EEIQQGGYTIKTTINKSVYQAMQDAAQYGGLLDDGTGKVMGNVLTDNSSGAIIGFIGG 415
      +EI+ GGY I TTI++ ++ AMQ A A YG LLDDGTG+V++GNVL DN +GAI+GF+GG
      Sbjct: 381 KEIENGGYKITTTIDQKIHSAMQSAVADYGYLLDDGTGRVEVGNVMDNQTGAILGFVGG 440

      Query: 416 RNYSENQNNHAFDTARSPGSSIKPILPYGIAIDQGMGLSGSVLSNYPTTYSSGEKIMHAD 475
      RNY ENQNNHAFDT RSP S+ KP+L YGIAIDQG++GS ++LSNYPT +++G IM+A+
      Sbjct: 441 RNYQENQNNHAFDTKRSPASTTKPLLAYGIAIDQGLMGSETILSNYPTNFANGNPIMYAN 500

40  Query: 476 REGTAMVNLQESLDISWNIPAFWYKMLRDRGVDVKNYMEKLDYPIENFGIESLPLGGGI 535
      +GT M+ L E+L+ SWNIPA+WY+MLR+ GVDVK YMEK+ Y I +GIESLP+GGGI
      Sbjct: 501 SKGTGMMTLGEALNYSWNIPAYWYRMLRENGVDVKGYMEKMGYEIPEYGIESLPMGGGI 560

      Query: 536 DTSVAQQTNLQMIANGGVYHKQYMIESIEDSNGKVIYNHESKPVRFVFSKATATILQQLL 595
      + +V+Q TN YQ +AN GVVH++++I IE ++G+V+Y ++ KPV+V+SKATATI+Q LL
      Sbjct: 561 EVTVAQHTNGYQTLANNGVYHQHVISKIEAADGRVVYEQDKPVQVYSKATATIMQGLL 620

45  Query: 596 HGPINSGKTTTTFKNRQLNSGLAGVDWIGKTGTTNSTSDVWMLMLSTPKVTLGGWAGHDN 655
      ++S TTTFK+ L LN LA DWIGKTGTTN ++WMLMLSTP++TLGGW GHD+
      Sbjct: 621 REVLSSRVTTTTFKSNLTSLNPTLANADWIGKTGTTNQDENMWMLMLSTPRLTLGGWIGHDD 680

50  Query: 656 NASLAKLTGYNNNANYMAHLVNAINNADGNTFGKSERFRLDDSVIKAKVLKSTGLQPGVV 715
      N SL++ GY+NN+NYMAHLVNAI A + +G +ERF LD SV+K++VLKSTG +PG V
      Sbjct: 681 NLSLSRRAGYSNNSNYMAHLVNAIQQASPSIWG-NERFALDPSVVKSEVLKSTGQKPGKV 739

      Query: 716 TVNGRRITVGGESTTSYWA-KNGPGTMTYRFAIGGTDSDYQKAWSTLGG 763
      +V G+ + V G + TSYWA K+G +YRFAIGG+D+DYQ AWS++ G
      Sbjct: 740 SVEGKEVEVTGSTVTSYWANKSGAPATSYRFAIGGSDADYQNAWSSIVG 788

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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 375> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 376>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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60   Possible site: 57

      >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
      INTEGRAL      Likelihood = -4.83      Transmembrane      39 - 55 ( 32 - 60)

65   ----- Final Results -----

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bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.2932(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

5 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

>GP:AAF04736 GB:AF101781 penicillin-binding protein 1b
 [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
 Identities = 438/739 (59%), Positives = 580/739 (78%), Gaps = 2/739 (0%)

10 Query: 27 PVLRLTRLRLSNFFYIVIFLFGMMGFGMAFGYLASQIESVKVPSKESLVKQVESLTMISQ 86
 P +L +++ L N +++ FL GM+G G+A GY + + V+VP E LV QV+ ++ IS+
 Sbjct: 48 PAILLSIKALFNLLFVLGFLGGMLGAGIALGYGVALFDKVRVPQTEELVNQVKDISSISE 107

15 Query: 87 MNYSDNSLISTLDTDLLRTPVANDAI SENIKKAIVSTEDHFQEHKGIVPKAVFRATLAS 146
 + YSD ++I++++DLLRT ++++ ISEN+KKAI++TEDEHF+EHKG+VPKAV RATL
 Sbjct: 108 ITYSDGTVIASIESDLLRTSISSEQISENLKKAI IATEDEHFKEHKGVVVPKAVIRATLGK 167

20 Query: 147 VLGFGGEASGGSTLTQQLVKQQLVGGDDPTFKRKSKEIVYALALERYMSKDNILCDYLNVP 206
 +G G +SGGSTLTQQL+KQQV+GD PT RK+ EIV ALALER M+KD IL YLNV+P
 Sbjct: 168 FVGLGSSSGGSTLTQQLIKQQVVGDAPTLARKAAEIVDALALERAMNKDEILTTYLNVP 227

25 Query: 207 FGRNKGQNIAGVBEAARGIFGVSADLTVPQAAFLAGLPQSPPIVYSPYLSTGQLKSEKD 266
 FGRNKGQNIAG +AA GIFGV A LTVPQAAFLAGLPQSPI YSPY +TG+LKS++D
 Sbjct: 228 FGRNKGQNIAGARQAAEGIFGVDASQLTVPQAAFLAGLPQSPITYSPYENTGELKSD 287

30 Query: 267 MAYGIKRQQNVLFNMRYRTGVLSKKEYEDYKAYPIQKDFIQPSAIVNNHDYLYYTVLADA 326
 + G++R + VL++MYRTG LSK EY YK Y +++DF+ G+ + DYLY+T LA+A
 Sbjct: 288 LEIGLRRKAVLYSMYRTGALS KDEYSQYKDYDLKQDFLPSGTVTGISRDYLYFTTLAEA 347

35 Query: 327 KKAMYSYLIKRDKVSSRDLDKNDETKAAEYERALTTELQGGYITTTTINKPIYNAMQTAAA 386
 ++ MY YL +RD VS+++LKN+ T+ Y + A E++ GGY ITTTI++ I++AMQ+A A
 Sbjct: 348 QERMYDYLAQRDNVSAKELKNEATQKFYRDLAKEIENGGYKITTTIDQKIHSAMQSAVA 407

40 Query: 387 QFGGLLDDGTGTVMGNVLTNDATGAVLGFVGGRDYALNQN NHAFNTVRSPGSSIKPIIA 446
 +G LDDGTG V++GNVL DN TGA+LGFVGGGR+Y NQNNHAF+T RSP S+ KP++A
 Sbjct: 408 DYGYLLDDGTGRVEVGNVLMNDNTGAILGFVGGGRNYQENQNNHAFDTKRSFASITKPLLA 467

45 Query: 447 YGPAIDQGLMGASVLSNYPTTYSYGQKIMHADSEGTAMMPLQEALNTSWNIPAFWTQKL 506
 YG AIDQGLMGS ++LSNYPT +++G IM+A+S+GT MM L EALN SWNIPA+WT ++
 Sbjct: 468 YGIAIDQGLMGSETILSNYPTNFANGNPIMYANSKGTGMMTLGEALNYSWNIPAYWTYRM 527

50 Query: 507 LREKGVVDENYMTKMGYKIADYSIESLPLGGGIEVSVAQQTNAYQMLSNNGLYQKQYIVD 566
 LRE GVDV+ YM KMGY+I +Y IESLP+GGGIEV+VAQ TN YQ L+NNG+Y +++++
 Sbjct: 528 LRENGVDVKGYMEKMGYEIPEYGIESLPMGGGIEVTVAQHTNGYQTLANNGVYHQKHVIS 587

55 Query: 567 KITASDGTVVYKHENKPIRIFSAATATILQELLRGPITSGATTTFKNRLAAINPWLANAD 626
 KI A+DG VVY++++XP++++S ATATI+Q LLR ++S TTTFK+ L ++NP LANAD
 Sbjct: 588 KIEAADGRVVVEYQDKFPVQVYSKATATIMQGLLREVLSSRVTTTFKSNLTSLNPTLANAD 647

60 Query: 627 WIGKTGTTENYTDVWLVLSTPKVTLGGWAGHDDNTSLAPLTGYNNNSNYLAYLANAINQA 686
 WIGKTGTT ++WL+LSTP++TLGGW GHDDN SL+ GY+NNSNY+A+L NAI QA
 Sbjct: 648 WIGKTGTNTQDENMWLMLSTPRLTLGGWIGHDDNHSLSRRAGYSNNSNYMAHLVNAIQQA 707

65 Query: 687 DPNVIGVGQRFNLDPGVIKANVLKSTGLQPGITVNVNGHTFSVGGEMTSLWSQK-GPGAM 745
 P++ G +RF LDP V+K+ VLKSTG +PG V+V G V G TS W+ K G A
 Sbjct: 708 SPSIWG-NERFALDPSVVKSEVLKSTGQKPGKVSVEGKEVEVTGSTVTSYWANKSGAPAT 766

Query: 746 TYRFAIGTADADYQKAWGN 764
 +YRFAIGG+DADYQ AW +
 Sbjct: 767 SYRFAIGSDADYQNAWSS 785

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 531/760 (69%), Positives = 639/760 (83%), Gaps = 3/760 (0%)

Query: 6 KKLNSSKLGDYTPLEFGSIFLRIVKLLSDFIYVILLFVMLGVGLAVGYLASQVDSVKVP 65

K+++ +LG L+ G + LR ++LLS+F Y++I LF M+G G+A GYLASQ++SVKVP
 Sbjct: 13 KRISHQRLG--LLDLGPVLLRTRLRLSNFFYIVIFLFGMMGFGMAFGYLASQIESVKVP 69
 Query: 66 SKNSLVTQVNTLTRVSRLTYSQISEIATDLQRTFVAKDAISDNIAIKAIATEDENFN 125
 SK SLV QV +LT +S++ YSD S IS + TDL RTPVA DAIS+NIKKAI++TEDE+F
 Sbjct: 70 SKESLVKQVESLTMISQMNYSNLSLISTLDTDLLRTPVANDAI SENIKKAI VSTEDEHFQ 129
 Query: 126 DHKGVVPKAVLRAAAGSVLGFGESSGGSTLTQQLLKQQILGDDPSFKRKSKEIYALALE 185
 +HKG+VPKAV RA SVLGFGE+SGGSTLTQQL+KQQ+LGDDP+FKRKSKEI+YALALE
 Sbjct: 130 EHKGIVPKAVFRATLASVLGFGEASGGSTLTQQLVKQQVLGDDPTFKRKSKEIVYALALE 189
 Query: 186 RYMDKDSILSDYLVNVPFGRNKGQNIAGIEEAAQGIFGVSADLTIPQAAFLAGLPQSP 245
 RYM KD+IL DYLVNVPFGRNKGQNIAG+EEAA+GIFGVSADLT+PQAAFLAGLPQSP
 Sbjct: 190 RYMSKDNILCDYLVNVPFGRNKGQNIAGVEEAAARGIFGVSADLTPQAAFLAGLPQSP 249
 Query: 246 IVYSPYTADAQLKSDKLSFGIKRQKNVLYNMRYTRALTKDEYKSKDYDIKKDFIKPAV 305
 IVYSPY + QLKS+KD+++GIKRQ+NVL+NMRYT L+K EY+ YK Y I+KDFI+P
 Sbjct: 250 IVYSPYLSTGQLKSEKDMAYGIKRQNVLFNMRYTGVLSKKEYEDYKAYPIQKDFIQPGS 309
 Query: 306 ATTNHHDYLYYSALSEAQVMYNYLIKNDNVSEHDLKNDETRATYRHRRAIEEIQQGGYTI 365
 A N+HDYLYY+ L++A+K MY+YLIK+D VS DLKND+ET+A Y RA+ E+QQGGYTI
 Sbjct: 310 AIVNNHDYLYYTVLADAKKAMYSYLIKRDVKSSRDKNDETKAAYEERALTELQQGGYTI 369
 Query: 366 KTTINKSVYQAMQDAAAQYGGLLDDGTGKVQMGNVLTNDSSGAIIGFIGGRNYSENQNNH 425
 TTINK +Y AMQ AAAQ+GGLLDDGTG VQMGNVLTND++GA++GF+GGR+Y+ NQNNH
 Sbjct: 370 TTTINKPIYNAMQTAAQFGGLLDDGTGTQMGNVLTNDATGAVLGFVGGRDYALNQNNH 429
 Query: 426 AFDTARSPGSSIKPILPYGIAIDQGMGLSGSVLSNYPTTYSSGKIMHADEGTAMVNLQ 485
 AF+T RSPGSSIKPI+ YG AIDQ++GS SVLSNYPTTYSSG+KIMHAD EGTAM+ LQ
 Sbjct: 430 AFNTVRSPGSSIKPIIAYGPAIDQQLMGSASVLSNYPTTYSSGQKIMHADSEGTAMMPLQ 489
 Query: 486 ESLDISWNIPAFWTYKMLRDRGVDVKNYMEKLDYPIENFGIESLPLGGGIDTSVAQQTNL 545
 E+L+ SWNIPAFWT K+LR++GVDV+NYM K+ Y I ++ IESLPLGGGI+ SVAQQTN
 Sbjct: 490 EALNTSWNIPAFWTQKLLREKGVVDVENYMTKMGYKIADYSIESLPLGGGIEVSVAQQTNA 549
 Query: 546 YQMIANGGVYHKQYMIESIEDSNGKVIYNHESKPVRFVSKATATILQQLLHGPIINSKTT 605
 YQM++N G+Y KQY+++ I S+G V+Y HE+KP+R+FS ATATILQ+LL GPI SG TT
 Sbjct: 550 YQMLSNNGLYQKQYIVDKITASDGTVVYKHENKPIRIFSAATATILQELLRGPITSGATT 609
 Query: 606 TFKNRLQGLNSGLAGVDWIGKTGTNTSDVWMLMLSTPKVTLGGWAGHDNNASLAKLTGY 665
 TFKNRL +N LA DWIGKTGT + +DVWL+LSTPKVTLGGWAGHD+N SLA LTGY
 Sbjct: 610 TFKNRLAAINPWLANADWIGKTGTNTSDVWMLMLSTPKVTLGGWAGHDNTSLAPLTGY 669
 Query: 666 NNNANYMAHLVNAINNADGNTFGKSERFRLDDSVIKAKVLKSTGLQPGVVTVNGRRITVG 725
 NNN+NY+A+L NAIN AD N G +RF LD VIK VLKSTGLQPG V VNG +VG
 Sbjct: 670 NNNSNYLAYLANAINQADPNVIGVQRFNLDPGVIKANVLKSTGLQPGTVNVNGHTFVS 729
 Query: 726 GESTTSYWAKNGPGMTYRFAIGGTDSDYQKAWSTLGGKR 765
 GE TTS W++ GPG MTYRFAIGGTD+DYQKAW G ++
 Sbjct: 730 GEMTTSLSWSQKGPAMTYRFAIGGTDADYQKAWGNFGFRK 769

SEQ ID 374 (GBS64d) was expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 120 (lane 2-4; MW 107kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 120 (lane 5-7; MW 82kDa) and in Figure 179 (lane 2; MW 82kDa).

GBS64d-His was purified as shown in Figure 231, lane 7-8.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 113

A DNA sequence (GBSx0116) was identified in *S. agalactiae* <SEQ ID 377> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 378>. This protein is predicted to be DNA-dependent RNA polymerase subunit beta (rpoB). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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5   Possible site: 61
   >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

   ----- Final Results -----
10      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3505(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

15   >GP:CAB56706 GB:Y16468 DNA-dependent RNA polymerase subunit beta
      [Listeria monocytogenes]
      Identities = 814/1173 (69%), Positives = 978/1173 (82%), Gaps = 17/1173 (1%)

Query: 2   AGHEVQYQKHRTTRRSFSRIKEVLDPNLIEIQTDSFQDFLDAGLKEVFEDVLPISNFTDT 61
          +GH+V+YG+HRTTRSF+RI EVL+L+PNLIEIQT S+Q FLD GL+E+F D+ PI +F
20   Sbjct: 5   SGHDVKYGRHRTTRSFARISEVLEL+PNLIEIQTASYQWFLDEGLREMFDRDISPIEDFAGN 64

Query: 62   MDLEFVGVELKEPKYTLLEARIHDASYSAPIFVTFRLVNKETGEIKTQEVFFGDFPIMTE 121
          + LEF+ Y+L EPKY++EE++ DA+Y+AP+ V RL+NKETGE+K QEVF GDFP+MTE
25   Sbjct: 65   LSLEFIDYDLGEPKYSVEESKNRDANYAAPLRV+KLRLINKETGEV+KQEVFMGDFPLMTE 124

Query: 122  MGTFIINGGERIIVSQLVRSPGVYFNDKVDKNGKVGYGSTVIPNRGAWLELETTDAKDIAY 181
          MGTFIING ER+IVSQLVRSPGVYFN K+DKNGK G+GSTVIPNRGAWLE ETDAKD+ +
30   Sbjct: 125 MGTFIINGAERVIIVSQLVRSPGVYFNGKLDKNGKKGFGSTVIPNRGAWLEYETDAKD+VH 184

Query: 182  TRIDRTRKIPFTTLVRLALGFGSDDEIVDIFGDSLVNRTIEKDIHKNPDSRSTDEALKEI 241
          RIDRTRK+P T L+RALGF D EI+D+ GD++ +RNT+EKD N ++AL EI
35   Sbjct: 185 VRIDRTRKLPVTVLLRALGFGSDQEIIDLIGDNDYLRNTLEKDNTDN-----AEKALLEI 239

Query: 242  YERLRPGEPKTADSSRSLVARFFDPRRYDLAAVGRYKINKKLNKTRILNQTTIAENLVD 301
          YERLRPGEP T D++RSLLV+RFFDP+RYDLA+VGRYKINKKL+LK RL NQT+AE LVD
40   Sbjct: 240 YERLRPGEPPTVDNARSLLVSRFFDPKRYDLASVGRYKINKKLHLKNRLFNQTLAETLVD 299

Query: 302  GETGEILVEAGTVMTRDVIDSIAEHIDGDLNKFVYTPNDYAVVTEPVILQKFVVAFTDP 361
          ETGEI+ G ++ R +D I +++ + P D V+ + V++Q K+ AP D
45   Sbjct: 300 PETGEIIASKGDILDRRLDQIIPNLENGVGFR+LRPTD-GVMEDSVLVQSIKIYAPNDE 358

Query: 362  DRVVTIVGNSNPEDKVRALTPADILAEMSYFLNLAEIGIKVDDIDHLGNRRIRAVGELLA 421
          ++ + I+GN+ E+ V+ +TP+DI++ +SYF NL G+G DDIDHLGNRR+R+VGELL
50   Sbjct: 359 EKEINTIGNAYIEENVKHITPSDIISISYFFNLLHGVGDTDDIDHLGNRRRLSVGELLQ 418

Query: 422  NQFRIGLARMERNVRERMSVQDNEVLTPQQIINIRPVTAAVKEFFGSSQLSQFMDQHNPL 481
          NQFRIGL+RMER VRERMS+QD +TPQQ+INIRPV A++KEFFGSSQLSQFMDQ NPL
55   Sbjct: 419 NQFRIGLSRMERVVRERMSIQDMTTTTPQQLINIRPVVASIKEFFGSSQLSQFMDQTNPL 478

Query: 482  SELSHKRRLSALGPGGLTRDRAGYEVRDVHYTHYGRMCPIETPEGPNIGLINLSSSFGHL 541
          EL+HKRRLSALGPGGLTR+RAGYEVRDVHY+HYGRMCPIETPEGPNIGLIN+LSSF +
60   Sbjct: 479 GELTHKRRLSALGPGGLTRERAGYEVRDVHYSHYGRMCPIETPEGPNIGLINSLSFSAKV 538

Query: 542  NKYGFITQTPYRKVDRSTGAVTNEIVWLTADEEDEF+VAQANSKLNEDGTFAEEIVMGRHQ 601
          NK+GFI+TPYR+VD T VT++I +LTADEED + VAQANSKL+E GTF EE VM R +
65   Sbjct: 539 NKFGFIETPYRRVDPETNRVTDKIDYLTAEEDNYVVAQANSKLDEQGTFTTEEVMARFR 598

Query: 602  GNNQEFSSIVDFVDVSPKQVAVATACIPFLENDDSNRALMGANMQRQAVPLIDPKAPY 661
          N +D++DVSPKQVV+VATACIPFLENDDSNRALMGANMQRQAVPL+ P+AP+
70   Sbjct: 599 SENLAVEKERIDYMDVSPKQVVSATACIPFLENDDSNRALMGANMQRQAVPLMHPEAPF 658

Query: 662  VGTGMEYQAAHDSGAAVIAKHGGRVIFSDAEKVEVRRED-----GSLDVYHVQKFR 713
          VGTGME+ +A DSGAAV AKHDG V +A ++ VRR G +D Y ++KF R
75   Sbjct: 659 VGTGMEHVSAKDSGAAVTAKHDGIVEHVEAREIWRVSVSLVDGKEVTGGIDKYTLRKFR 718

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Query: 714 SNSGTAYNQRTLVKVGDLVEKGDFIADGPSMENGEMALGQNPVVAYMIWEGYNFEDAVIM 773
 SN GT YNQR V GD V KG+ + +GPSM++GE+ALG+N +VA+MTW+GYN+EDA+IM
 Sbjct: 719 SNQGTCTYNQRPNVAEGDRVVKGEILGNGPSMDSGELALGRNVLVAFMTWDGYNVEDAIIM 778
 Query: 774 SERLVKEDVYTSVHLEEFESSETRDTKLGPEEITREIPNVGEDSLRDLDEMGIIRIGAEVK 833
 SERLVK+DVYTS+H+EEFESE RDTKLGPEE+TR+IPNVGED+LRDLDE GIIR+GAEVK
 Sbjct: 779 SERLVKDDVYTSIHIEFESEARDTKLGPEEMTRDIPNVGEDALRDLDERGIIRVGAEVK 838
 Query: 834 EGDILVGKVTTPKGEKDLSEERLLHAI FGDKSREVRDTSIRVPHGGDGVVRDVKIFTRAN 893
 + D+LVGKVTTPKG +L+AEERLLHAIFG+K+REVRDTSIRVPHGG G+V DVKIFTR
 Sbjct: 839 DNDLLVGKVTTPKGVTELTAEERLLHAIFGEKAREVRDTSIRVPHGGGIVLDVKIFTREA 898
 Query: 894 GDELQSGVMMLVRVYIAQKRKIKVGDKMAGRHNKGVSRIVPVEDMPYLPDGTVPDIDL 953
 GDEL GVN LVRVYI QKRKI GDKMAGRHNKGVSRI+P EDMF++PDGTVPDIDL
 Sbjct: 899 GDELEPGVNQLVRVYIVQKRKIHEGDKMAGRHNKGVISRILPEEDMPFMPDGTVPDIDL 958
 Query: 954 NPLGVPSRMNIGQVMELHLGMAARNLGIHIATPVFDGASSEDWETVOEAGMDSDAKTVL 1013
 NPLGVPSRMNIGQV+ELHLGMAAR LGIH+ATPVFDGA+ ED+W TV+EAGM DAKT+L
 Sbjct: 959 NPLGVPSRMNIGQVLEHLGMAARALGIHVATPVFDGANEEVDWSTVEAGMARDAKTIL 1018
 Query: 1014 YDGRTEGPFNDNRVSVGVYMIKLLHMMVDDKLHARSVGPYSLVTQQPLGGKAQFGGQRFGE 1073
 YDGR+GE FDNR+SVGVYMIKLL HMVDDKLHARS GPYSLVTQQPLGGKAQFGGQRFGE
 Sbjct: 1019 YDGRSGEAFDNRI SVGVYMIKLLAHMMVDDKLHARSTGYPYSLVTQQPLGGKAQFGGQRFGE 1078
 Query: 1074 MEVWALEAYGASNVLQEBILTYKSDDV TGRKAYEAITKGKPIPKPGVPESFRVLVKELQS 1133
 MEVWALEAYGA+ LQEBILT KSDDV GR+K YEAI KG+ +P+PGVPESF+VL+KELQS
 Sbjct: 1079 MEVWALEAYGAAYTLQEBILTIKSDDVGRVKT YEAIKGESVPEPGVPESFKVLKELQS 1138
 Query: 1134 LGLDMRVLDEDDNEVELRDLDEGEDDDVMHVDD 1166
 LG+D++++L D+ E+E+RD+D DDD + +D
 Sbjct: 1139 LGMDVKMLSADEEBIEMRDM---DDDFTNQND 1168

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 379> which encodes the amino acid
 sequence <SEQ ID 380>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 61
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3392(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 1129/1190 (94%), Positives = 1168/1190 (97%), Gaps = 3/1190 (0%)
 Query: 1 MAGHEVQYGKHRTTRSFRIKEVLDPNLIEIQDTSFQDFLDAGLKEVFEDVLPISNFTD 60
 +AGHEV+YGKHRTTRSFRIKEVLDPNLIEIQDTSFQDFLD+GLKEVFEDVLPISNFTD
 Sbjct: 1 LAGHEVRYGKHRTTRSFRIKEVLDPNLIEIQDTSFQDFLDGSLKEVFEDVLPISNFTD 60
 Query: 61 TMDLEFVGVELKEPKYTLEEARIHDA SYSAPIFVTFRLVNKETGEIKTQEVFFGDFPIMT 120
 TM+LEFVGVE KEPKYTLEEARIHDA SYSAPIFVTFRLVNKETGEIKTQEVFFGDFPIMT
 Sbjct: 61 TMELEFVGVEFKEPKYTLEEARIHDA SYSAPIFVTFRLVNKETGEIKTQEVFFGDFPIMT 120
 Query: 121 EMGTFIINGGERIIVSQLVRSFGVYFNDKVDKNGKVGYGSTVIPNRGAWLELETDKIDIA 180
 EMGTFIINGGERIIVSQLVRSFGVYFNDKVDKNGKVGYGSTVIPNRGAWLELETD+KIDIA
 Sbjct: 121 EMGTFIINGGERIIVSQLVRSFGVYFNDKVDKNGKVGYGSTVIPNRGAWLELETDKIDIA 180
 Query: 181 YTRIDRTRKIPFTTLVRALGFSGDDEIVDIFGDSSELVRNTIEKDIHKNPDSRTDEALKE 240
 YTRIDRTRKIPFTTLVRALGFSGDDEIVDIFG+S+LVRNTIEKDIHKNPDSRTDEALKE
 Sbjct: 181 YTRIDRTRKIPFTTLVRALGFSGDDEIVDIFGESDLVRNTIEKDIHKNPDSRTDEALKE 240
 Query: 241 IYERLRPGEPKTADSSRSLVARFFDPRRYDLAAVGRYKINKKLNKTRLLNQIAENLV 300
 IYERLRPGEPKTADSSRSL+ARFFD RRYDLAAVGRYK+NNKLN+KTRLLNQ IAENLV
 Sbjct: 241 IYERLRPGEPKTADSSRSLIARFFDARRYDLAAVGRYKVNKLNKTRLLNQIAENLV 300

5	Query: 301	DGETGEILVEAGTVMTRDVIDSIAEHIDGDLNKFVYTPNDYAVVTEPVILQKFKVVAPTD 360
	Sbjct: 301	D ETGEILVEAGT MTR VI+SI EH+DGDNLNKFVYTPNDYAVVTEPV+LQKFKVV+P D 360
10	Query: 361	PDRVVTIVGNSNPEDKVRALT PADILAEMSYFLNLAEGIGKVDDIDHLGNRRIRAVGELL 420
	Sbjct: 361	PDRVVTIVGN+NP+DKVRALT PADILAEMSYFLNLAEG+GKVDDIDHLGNRRIRAVGELL 420
15	Query: 421	ANQFRIGLARMERNVRERMSVQDNEVLTPQQIINIRPVTAAVKEFFGSSQLSQFMDQHNP 480
	Sbjct: 421	ANQFRIGLARMERNVRERMSVQDN+VLTTPQQIINIRPVTAAVKEFFGSSQLSQFMDQHNP 480
20	Query: 481	LSELSHKRRLSALGPGLTRDRAGYEVDRVHYTHYGRMCP IETPEGNIGLINLSSFGH 540
	Sbjct: 481	LSELSHKRRLSALGPGLTRDRAGYEVDRVHYTHYGRMCP IETPEGNIGLINLSSFGH 540
25	Query: 541	LNKYGFIQTTPYRKVDRSTGAVTNEIVWLTADEEDEFTVAQANSKL NEDGTFAEEIVMGRH 600
	Sbjct: 541	LNKYGFIQTTPYRKVDR+TG VTNEIVWLTADEEDE+TVAQANSKL NEDGTFAEEIVMGRH 600
30	Query: 601	QGNQEFPSISVDFVDVSPKQVVAVATACIPFLENDSDNRALMGANMQRQAVPLIDPKAP 660
	Sbjct: 601	QGNQEF +S+VDFVDVSPKQVVAVATACIPFLENDSDNRALMGANMQRQAVPLIDPKAP 660
35	Query: 661	YVGTGMEYQAAHDSGAAVIAKHGRVIFSDAEKVEVRREDGSLDVYHVQKFRRSNSGTAY 720
	Sbjct: 661	YVGTGMEYQAAHDSGAAVIA+ +G+V+FSDAEKVE+RR+DGS�DVYH+ KFRRSNSGTAY 720
40	Query: 721	NQRTLKVGDLVEKGD FADGSPMENGEMALGQNPVVAYMTWEGYNFEDAVIMSERLVKE 780
	Sbjct: 721	NQRTLKVG D+VEKGD FADGSPMENGEMALGQNPVVAYMTWEGYNFEDAVIMSERLVKE 780
45	Query: 781	DVYTSVHLEEFESETRDTKLGPEEITREIPNVGEDSLRDLDEMGIIRIGAEVKEGDILVG 840
	Sbjct: 781	DVYTSVHLEEFESETRDTKLGPEEITREIPNVGE++L+LDEMGIIRIGAEVKEGDILVG 840
50	Query: 841	KVTFKGEKDL SAEERLLHAI FGDKSREVRDTS LRVP HGGDGVVRDVKIFTRANGDELQSG 900
	Sbjct: 841	KVTFKGEKDL SAEERLLHAI FGDKSREVRDTS LRVP HGGDGVVRDVKIFTRANGDELQSG 900
55	Query: 901	VNMLVRVYIAQKRKIKVGD KMAGR HGNKG VVSRI VPVEDMPYLPDGT PVDIMLNPLGVPS 960
	Sbjct: 901	VNMLVRVYIAQKRKIKVGD KMAGR HGNKG VVSRI VPVEDMPYLPDGT PVDIMLNPLGVPS 960
60	Query: 961	RMNIGQVMELHLGMAARNLGIHIATPVFDGASSED LW+TV+EAGMDSDAKTVLYDGRGTGE 1020
	Sbjct: 961	RMNIGQVMELHLGMAARNLGIHIATPVFDGASSED LW+TV+EAGMDSDAKTVLYDGRGTGE 1020
65	Query: 1021	PFDNRVSVGVMYMIKLHMHVDDKLHARSVGPYSLVTQQPLGGKAQFGGQRFGEVWALE 1080
	Sbjct: 1021	PFDNRVSVGVMYMIKLHMHVDDKLHARSVGPYSLVTQQPLGGKAQFGGQRFGEVWALE 1080
70	Query: 1081	AYGASNVLQEILTYKSD DVTGR LKAYEAITKGKPIPKPGVPESFRVLVKELQSLGLDMRV 1140
	Sbjct: 1081	AYGASNVLQEILTYKSD DVTGR LKAYEAITKGKPIPKPGVPESFRVLVKELQSLGLDMRV 1140
75	Query: 1141	LDEDDNEVELRDLDEGEDDDVMHVD DLEKARVKQEAEEKQAEQVSEVVQE 1190
	Sbjct: 1141	LDEDDNEVELRDLDEGEDDD+MHVD DLEKAR KQ E ++VSE E 1190

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 114

A DNA sequence (GBSx0118) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 381> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 382>. This protein is predicted to be DNA-directed RNA polymerase, beta subunit (rpoC). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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5   Possible site: 32
    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

    ----- Final Results -----
10      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1892(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 383> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 384>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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15   Possible site: 22
    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

    ----- Final Results -----
20      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2128(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

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25   Identities = 1148/1205 (95%), Positives = 1177/1205 (97%)

Query: 11   VVDVNRFKSMQITLASPSKVRWSYGEVKKPETINRYTLKPEREGLFDEVIFGPTKDWE 70
          VVDVNRFKSMQITLASPSKVRWSYGEVKKPETINRYTLKPEREGLFDEVIFGPTKDWE
Sbjct: 1    VVDVNRFKSMQITLASPSKVRWSYGEVKKPETINRYTLKPEREGLFDEVIFGPTKDWE 60

30   Query: 71  ACGKYKRIRYKGIICDRGVEVTRAKVRRERMGHIELKAPVSHIWFKGIPSRMGLTLD 130
          ACGKYKRIRYKGI+CDRGVEVTRAKVRRERMGHIELKAPVSHIWFKGIPSRMGLTLD
Sbjct: 61     ACGKYKRIRYKGIICDRGVEVTRAKVRRERMGHIELKAPVSHIWFKGIPSRMGLTLD 120

35   Query: 131 SPRALEEVIYFAAYVVIDPMDTPLEPKSLLTEREYREKLQYGYGSFVAKMGAEAIQDL 190
          SPRALEEVIYFAAYVVIDP DTPLEPKSLLTEREYREKLQYGYGSFVAKMGAEAIQDL
Sbjct: 121    SPRALEEVIYFAAYVVIDPKDTPLEPKSLLTEREYREKLQYGYGHSFVAKMGAEAIQDL 180

40   Query: 191 KRVDLDAEIAVLKEELKSATGQKRKAVRRRLDVLDAFKSGNKPEWMVLNIPVIPDLR 250
          KRVDL AEIA LKEELKSA+GQKR+KAVRRRLDVLDAF KSGNKPEWMVLNIPVIPDLR
Sbjct: 181    KRVDLAAEIAELKEELKSASGQKRKIAVRRRLDVLDAFNKSGNKPEWMVLNIPVIPDLR 240

45   Query: 251 PMVQLDGGFRFAASDLNDLYRRVINRNNRLARLLELNAPGIIVQNEKRMLQEAVDALIDNG 310
          PMVQLDGGFRFAASDLNDLYRRVINRNNRLARLLELNAPGIIVQNEKRMLQEAVDALIDNG
Sbjct: 241    PMVQLDGGFRFAASDLNDLYRRVINRNNRLARLLELNAPGIIVQNEKRMLQEAVDALIDNG 300

50   Query: 311 RRGRPITGPGSRPLKSLSHMLKGKQGRFRQNLGKRVDGSGRSVIAVGPTLKMYQCGVPR 370
          RRGRPITGPGSRPLKSLSHMLKGKQGRFRQNLGKRVDGSGRSVIAVGPTLKMYQCGVPR
Sbjct: 301    RRGRPITGPGSRPLKSLSHMLKGKQGRFRQNLGKRVDGSGRSVIAVGPTLKMYQCGVPR 360

55   Query: 371 EMAIELFKPFVMREIVARDLAGNVKAAKRMVERGDERIWDILEEVIKEHPVLLNRAPTLH 430
          EMAIELFKPFVMREIVA++ AGNVKAAKRMVERGDERIWDILEEVIKEHPVLLNRAPTLH
Sbjct: 361    EMAIELFKPFVMREIVAKEYAGNVKAAKRMVERGDERIWDILEEVIKEHPVLLNRAPTLH 420

60   Query: 431 RLGIAQAFEPVLIDGKALRLHPLVCEAYNADFQDQMAIHVPLSEEAQAEARLLMLAAEHI 490
          RLGIAQAFEPVLIDGKALRLHPLVCEAYNADFQDQMAIHVPLSEEAQAEARLLMLAAEHI
Sbjct: 421    RLGIAQAFEPVLIDGKALRLHPLVCEAYNADFQDQMAIHVPLSEEAQAEARLLMLAAEHI 480

Query: 491 LNPDKGKPVVTPSQDMVLGNYYLTMEDAGREGEGMIFKDHD EAVMAY+NGY HLH+RVGI 550
          LNPDKGKPVVTPSQDMVLGNYYLTMEDAGREGEGMIFKD DEAVMAY+NGY HLH+RVGI
Sbjct: 481    LNPDKGKPVVTPSQDMVLGNYYLTMEDAGREGEGMIFKDKDEAVMAYRNGYAHLSRVGI 540

Query: 551 AVDSMPNKPWTTEEQKHKIMVTTVGKILFNDIMPEDLPYLIEPNANLTEKTPDKYFLIEPG 610

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AVDSMPNKPW + Q+HKIMVTTVGKILFNDIMPEDLPYL EPNNANLTE TPDKYFLEPG
 Sbjct: 541 AVDSMPNKPWKDNQRHKIMVTTVGKILFNDIMPEDLPYLQEPNNANLTEGTPDKYFLEPG 600
 Query: 611 QDIQAVIDNLEINIPFKKKNLGNIIAETFKRFRITETSAFLDRLKDLGYHSTLAGLTVG 670
 5 QDIQ VID L+IN+PFKKKNLGNIIAETFKRFRITETSAFLDRLKDLGYHSTLAGLTVG
 Sbjct: 601 QDIQEVIDRLDINVPFKKKNLGNIIAETFKRFRITETSAFLDRLKDLGYHSTLAGLTVG 660
 Query: 671 IADIPVIDNKAETIDAHAHRVEDINKAFRRGLMTEEDRYVAVTTTWREAKEALEKRLIET 730
 IADIPVIDNKAETIDAHAHRVE+INKAFRRGLMT++DRYVAVTTTWREAKEALEKRLIET
 10 Sbjct: 661 IADIPVIDNKAETIDAHAHRVEEINKAFRRGLMTDDRYVAVTTTWREAKEALEKRLIET 720
 Query: 731 QDPKNPIVMMDSGARGNISNFSQLAGMRGLMAAPNGRIMELPILSNFREGLSVLEMFFS 790
 QDPKNPIVMMDSGARGNISNFSQLAGMRGLMAAPNGRIMELPILSNFREGLSVLEMFFS
 15 Sbjct: 721 QDPKNPIVMMDSGARGNISNFSQLAGMRGLMAAPNGRIMELPILSNFREGLSVLEMFFS 780
 Query: 791 THGARKGMTDTALKTADSGYLTRRLVDVAQDVIIREDDCGTDRGLTITAITDGKEVTETL 850
 THGARKGMTDTALKTADSGYLTRRLVDVAQDVIIREDDCGTDRGL IAITDGKEVTETL
 Sbjct: 781 THGARKGMTDTALKTADSGYLTRRLVDVAQDVIIREDDCGTDRGLLIRAITDGKEVTETL 840
 Query: 851 EERLIGRYTKKSIKHPETGEILVGADTLITEDMAAKVVKAGVEEVTIRSVFTCNTRHGVC 910
 EERL GRYT+KS+KHPETGE+L+GAD LITEDMA K+V AGVEEVTIRSVFTC TRHGVC
 20 Sbjct: 841 EERLQGRYTRKSVKHPETGEVLIGADQLITEDMARKIVDAGVEEVTIRSVFTCATRHGVC 900
 Query: 911 RHCYGINLATGDAVEVGEAVGTIAAQSIGEPGTQLTMRTFHTGGVASNTDITQGLPRIQE 970
 RHCYGINLATGDAVEVGEAVGTIAAQSIGEPGTQLTMRTFHTGGVASNTDITQGLPRIQE
 25 Sbjct: 901 RHCYGINLATGDAVEVGEAVGTIAAQSIGEPGTQLTMRTFHTGGVASNTDITQGLPRIQE 960
 Query: 971 IFEARNPKGEAVITEVKGEVVAIEEDSSTRTKKVFKVQGTGEGEYVVPFTARMKVEVGDE 1030
 IFEARNPKGEAVITEVKG VV IEED+STRTKKV+V+G+TG GEYV+PFTARMKVEVGDE
 30 Sbjct: 961 IFEARNPKGEAVITEVKGNVVEIEEDASTRTKKVYVQGTGMGEYVIPFTARMKVEVGDE 1020
 Query: 1031 VARGAALTEGSIQPKRLLEVRDTLSVETYLLEAEVQKVYRSQGVEIGDKHVEVMVRQMLRK 1090
 V RGAALTEGSIQPKRLLEVRDTLSVETYLLEAEVQKVYRSQGVEIGDKHVEVMVRQMLRK
 35 Sbjct: 1021 VNARGAALTEGSIQPKRLLEVRDTLSVETYLLEAEVQKVYRSQGVEIGDKHVEVMVRQMLRK 1080
 Query: 1091 VRVMDPGDSDLPGTLMDISDFTDANKDIVISGGIPATSRPVLMGITKASLETNSFLSAA 1150
 VRVMDPGDSDLPGTLMDISDFTDANKDIVISGGIPATSRPVLMGITKASLETNSFLSAA
 Sbjct: 1081 VRVMDPGDSDLPGTLMDISDFTDANKDIVISGGIPATSRPVLMGITKASLETNSFLSAA 1140
 Query: 1151 SFQETTRVLTDAAIRGKKDHLGLKENVIIGKIIIPAGTGMARYRNIEPLAVNEVEIIEGT 1210
 SFQETTRVLTDAAIRGKKDHLGLKENVIIGKIIIPAGTGMARYRNIEP A+NE+E+I+ T
 40 Sbjct: 1141 SFQETTRVLTDAAIRGKKDHLGLKENVIIGKIIIPAGTGMARYRNIEPQAMNEIEVIDHT 1200
 Query: 1211 PVDAE 1215
 45 V AE
 Sbjct: 1201 EVSAE 1205

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

50 Example 115

A DNA sequence (GBSx0120) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 385> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 386>. This protein is predicted to be a DNA binding protein. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 19
 55 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.4727(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 60 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAC45309 GB:U81957 putative DNA binding protein [Streptococcus gordonii]
Identities = 42/99 (42%), Positives = 75/99 (75%)

5 Query: 1 MYQVVKMFGEWEPWWFIEGWEEEDITEIAEYDTLSEALLYFQEEWDRGQEKWPYFQSKSSL 60
MY+VV+M+GD+EPWWF++GWE DI + ++ +AL +++ +W + + ++ ++S+S L
Sbjct: 1 MYRVVEMYGDFEPWWFLDGWENDIIQEQRFKYYDALKFYKIQWLKLETEFKYKSRSDL 60

Query: 61 LATFWSIKEKRWCEECDEYLQQYHSLMLLKEWQEIPKEE 99
+ FW+ ++RWCECD+Y+QQY S++LL++ + IPK +
10 Sbjct: 61 MTVFVNENDQRWCEECDDYVQQYRSIILLEDEKVIPKSK 99

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 387> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 388>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

15 Possible site: 36
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.4741(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
20 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 61/121 (50%), Positives = 83/121 (68%)

25 Query: 1 MYQVVKMFGEWEPWWFIEGWEEEDITEIAEYDTLSEALLYFQEEWDRGQEKWPYFQSKSSL 60
MYQV+KM+GDWEPWWFI+GW++DI + ++ EAL YF +EW R + +P + S+ +L
Sbjct: 1 MYQVIKMYGDWEPWWFIDGWQDDIIDEQQFSDWQEALDYFNQEWQRMKAIFPSYHSQKNL 60

Query: 61 LATFWSIKEKRWCEECDEYLQQYHSLMLLKEWQEIPKEESIERFEVFNKIAELPSACSLNL 121
LATEW ++KRWCE+CDE LQQ+HSL+LLK +P I FE N ++ C LNL
30 Sbjct: 61 LATFWKEKDKRWCEDCDEDLQQFHSLLLKKNKDIVPSNNYIPEFEQRNDSPQVAYLCKLNL 121

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

35 Example 116

A DNA sequence (GBSx0121) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 389> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 390>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

40 Possible site: 18
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2433(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
45 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAC45310 GB:U81957 putative ABC transporter subunit ComYA
[Streptococcus gordonii]
Identities = 203/319 (63%), Positives = 255/319 (79%), Gaps = 1/319 (0%)

50 Query: 1 MVQSLAKQVIHQAVEVNAQDIYIIPKGDYELYMRIIDERRFIDVFENRNASLISHFKF 60
MVQ +A+ ++ QA E AQDIY +PK DCYELYMRI DERRFI ++F+++A++ISHFKF
Sbjct: 1 MVQKIAQAIVRQAKECAQDIYFVPKDDCYELYMRIIGDERRFIQTYDFDQLAAVISHFKF 60

Query: 61 VAGMNVGEKRRSQLGSCDYELSEGRVLSRLSSVGDYRGQESLVIRILYSGHQDLKYWFD 120
+AGMNVGEKRRSQLGSCDY + + S+RLS+VG DYRG ESLVIR+L+ +LK+WF
55 Sbjct: 61 LAGMNVGEKRRSQLGSCDYRYDD-KETSIRLSTVG DYRGYESLVIRLLHDEETELKFWFT 119

Query: 121 NIKQMKEVLGIRGLYLFSGFVSGKTTLMYQLASEVFNKQIITIEDPVEIKNDKMLQLQ 180

+ +++E RGLYLEFSGPVGSGKTTLM+QLA FK +Q+++IEDPVEIK + MLQLQ
 Sbjct: 120 HFPFLREKFKDRGLYLEFSGPVGSGKTTLMHQLAQLKFKGQQVMSIEDPVEIKQEDMLQLQ 179
 Query: 181 LNE DIGMTYDALIKLSLRHRPDILIIIGEIRDQATARAVIRASLTGVMVFSTIHA KSIPGV 240
 LNE IG+TY++LIKLSLRHRPD+LIIGEIRD TARAV+RASLTG VFSTIHA KSIPGV
 Sbjct: 180 LNETIGLTYESLIKLSLRHRPDLLIIIGEIRDSETARAVVRASLTGATVFSTIHA KSIPGV 239
 Query: 241 YDRLELGVNYQLENSLKLIA YQRLIGGGSLIDFETGNFKKHSSDKWNRQVDILAE EGH 300
 Y+RL+ELGV+ +EL+ L+ I YQRLIGGG +IDF + N+++H WN+Q+D L GH
 Sbjct: 240 YERLLELGVSEELKIVLQIGIC YQRLIGGGVIDFASDNYQEHEPTVWNQQIDQLLAAGH 299
 Query: 301 ISKKQAQVEKIIPQETTES 319
 I +QA+ EKI Q+ S
 Sbjct: 300 IHPEQAEAEKIRNQQAKTS 318

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 391> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 392>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 18
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1846 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 207/312 (66%), Positives = 257/312 (82%)
 Query: 1 MVQSLAQVIHQAVEVNAQDIYIIPKGD CYEL YMRIDERRFIDVFEFNRMASLISHFKF 60
 MVQ+LAK ++ +A +V+AQDIYI+P+ D Y+L++RI DERR +DV++ +RMA LISHFKF
 Sbjct: 1 MVQALAKAILAKAEQVHAQDIYIILPRADQYDLFLRIGDERRLV DVYQSDRMAPLISHFKF 60
 Query: 61 VAGMNVGEKRRSQLGSCDYELSEGR LVSRLSSVGDYRGQESLVIRILYSGHQDLKYWFD 120
 VAGM VGEKRR Q+GSCDY+LS+ + +SLRLSSVGDYRGQESLVIR+L+ ++ + YWFD
 Sbjct: 61 VAGMIVGEKRRQCVGSCDYKLSKDKQLSLRLSSVGDYRGQESLVIRLLHHQNKSVHYWFD 120
 Query: 121 NIKQMKEVLGIRGLYLEFSGPVGSGKTTLMYQLASEVFKNKQIITIEDPVEIKNDKMLQLQ 180
 + ++ +G RGLYLEF+GPVGSGKTTLMYQL S + Q+I+IEDPVEIKN ++LQLQ
 Sbjct: 121 GLTKVANQVGG RGLYLEFAGPVGSGKTTLMYQLISNYHQEAQVISIEDPVEIKNHQILQLQ 180
 Query: 181 LNE DIGMTYDALIKLSLRHRPDILIIIGEIRDQATARAVIRASLTGVMVFSTIHA KSIPGV 240
 +N+DIGMTYD LIKLSLRHRPDIL+IGEIRD TARAVIRASLTG VMVFST+HAKSI GV
 Sbjct: 181 VNDDIGMTYDNLIKLSLRHRPDILVIGEIRDSQTARAVIRASLTGAMVFSTVHAKSISGV 240
 Query: 241 YDRLELGVNYQLENSLKLIA YQRLIGGGSLIDFETGNFKKHSSDKWNRQVDILAE EGH 300
 Y RL+ELGV EL N L LIAYQRL+ GG+LID F+ +SS WN+Q+D L E GH
 Sbjct: 241 YARLLELGVTKAELSNCLALIA YQRLLNCGALIDSTQNEFEYSSSNWNQQIDQLLEAGH 300
 Query: 301 ISKKQAQVEKII 312
 ++ KQA++EKII
 Sbjct: 301 LNPQAKLEKII 312

SEQ ID 390 (GBS63) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 5 (lane 5; MW 39kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 13 (lane 2; MW 64kDa).

The GBS63-GST fusion product was purified (Figure 101A; see also Figure 191, lane 3) and used to immunise mice (lane 1 product; 20µg/mouse). The resulting antiserum was used for Western blot (Figure 101B), FACS (Figure 101C), and in the *in vivo* passive protection assay (Table III). These tests confirm that the protein is immunoaccessible on GBS bacteria and that it is an effective protective immunogen.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 117

A DNA sequence (GBSx0122) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 393> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 394>. This protein is predicted to be competence protein (mshG). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 49
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
10  INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -14.65    Transmembrane  123 - 139 ( 113 - 144)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -13.53    Transmembrane  272 - 288 ( 264 - 295)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -8.55     Transmembrane   79 - 95 ( 75 - 102)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -0.00     Transmembrane  146 - 162 ( 146 - 162)

----- Final Results -----
15      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.6859(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9489> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9490> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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>GP:AAC45311 GB:U81957 putative ABC transporter subunit ComYB
    [Streptococcus gordonii]
25  Identities = 161/280 (57%), Positives = 219/280 (77%)

Query: 19  MNKALLEGKDLKMLGELGFSDTVITQVALADLHGNISRLKIESYLANLLVRRKKVIE 78
      M + L G+ S+++ LGFSD V+TQ++LA+LHGN+S +LLKIE YL NL V+KK+IE
Sbjct: 1  MRQGLANGQAFSEIMASLGFSDAVVTQLSLAELHGNLSLALLKIEEYLDNLAKVKKKIE 60

30  Query: 79  VATYPLILLSFLVLIMIGLRNYLMPQLGENNFATRLITNVPNIFLLLLAVVLIFSLIFYI 138
      VATYP++LL FLVLIMIGLRNYL+PQL NFAT+LI ++P IFL + ++L + Y+
Sbjct: 61  VATYPMMLLGFLVLIMIGLRNYLLPQLSSQNFATQLIGHLPTIFLLTVLMLLGLTGAIYL 120

35  Query: 139 IQKRLSRIKIVACFLTTPVLGVSYVKLYLTAYYAREWGNLLSQGIELDQIVKVMQNQKSKL 198
      + K RI V FL +P VGS+V++YLTAYYAREWGN++ QG+EL QI ++MQ Q+S L
Sbjct: 121 VFKGQKRIPVYSFLARLPFVGSFVRIYLTAYYAREWGNMIGQGLELSQIFQIMQEQRSVL 180

40  Query: 199 FREIGYDMEEGFLSGKAFHQKVLDPFFLTSLMIEYGQVKAKLGTEDIYADEKWEDF 258
      F+EIG D+ + +G+ F K+ YPFF ELSL+IEYG+VK+KLG+EL+IYA + WE+F
Sbjct: 181 FQEIGQDLGQALQNGQEFSDKIASYPFFKKELSLIEYGEVSKSLGSELEIYALKTWEEF 240

45  Query: 259 FTKLARATQLIQFVIFIFVALIIVMIYAAMLLPMYQNMEI 298
      F ++ R LIQP++F+FVAL+IV++YAAMLLP+YQNME+
Sbjct: 241 FGRVNRMTNLIQPLVVFVVALMIVLLYAAMLLPLYQNMEV 280

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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 395> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 396>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 43
50  >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -12.52    Transmembrane  317 - 333 ( 309 - 339)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -10.14    Transmembrane  123 - 139 ( 119 - 147)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -6.95     Transmembrane  164 - 180 ( 161 - 183)

55  ----- Final Results -----
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.6010(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

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5  >GP:AAC45311 GB:U81957 putative ABC transporter subunit ComYB
    [Streptococcus gordonii]
    Identities = 139/278 (50%), Positives = 207/278 (74%)

Query: 63 MEESLLKGGGLADMLSGGLGFSDAILTQISLADRHGNIETTLVAIQHYLNQMARIIRKTV 122
      M + L GQ +++++ LGFSDA++TQ+SLA+ HGN+ L+ I+ YL+ +A++++K +E
Sbjct: 1 MRQGLANGQAFSEIMASLGFSDAVVVTQLSLAELHGNLSLALLKIEEYLDNIAKVKKKLIE 60

10 Query: 123 VITYPLILLFLFVMMGLRRYLVPQLETQNQITYFLNHFPAPFFIGFCGSLILLFGMVWL 182
      V TYP++LL FL ++M+GLR YL+PQL +QN T + H P F+ L+ L G ++L
Sbjct: 61 VATYPMMLLGFVLIMIGLRNYLLPQLSSQNFATQLIGHLPTIFLLTVLMLLGLTGAIYL 120

15 Query: 183 RWRQSRLKLYSRLSRYPFLGKLLKQYLTSYYAREWGTIGQGLDMLTILDIMAIEKSSL 242
      ++ Q R+ +YS L+R PF+G ++ YLT+YYAREWG +IGQGL+L I IM ++S L
Sbjct: 121 VFKGQKRIPVYSFLARLPFVGFSFVRIYLTAYAREWGNMIGQGLELSQIFQIMQQRSVL 180

Query: 243 MKELAEDIRMSLLEGQAFHIKVATYPPFKKELSLMIEYGEIKSKLGAEEIYAQESWEQF 302
      +E+ +D+ +L GQ F K+A+YPPFKKELSL+IEYGE+KSKLG+ELEIYA ++WE+F
20 Sbjct: 181 FQIGQDLGQALQNGQEFSDKIASYPFFKKELSLIEYGEVKSGLGSELEIYALKTWEEF 240

Query: 303 FSQLYQVTQLIQPAIFLVAVTIVMIYAAILLPIYQNM 340
      F ++ + LIQP +F+ VA+ IV++YAA+LLP+YQNM
Sbjct: 241 FGRVNRMTMLIQPLVFVFVALMIVLLYAAMLLPLYQNM 278
25

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

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    Identities = 148/297 (49%), Positives = 209/297 (69%), Gaps = 2/297 (0%)

30 Query: 1 MVTFLKRSKLLSDCYTDSMNKALLEGKDLKMLGELGFSDTVITQVALADLHGNI SRSL 60
      ++ FLKRS+LL Y M ++LL+G+ L+ ML LGFSD ++TQ++LAD HGNI +L+
Sbjct: 45 VIAFLKRSQQLQLDYVLKMEESLLKGGGLADMLSGGLGFSDAILTQISLADRHGNIETTLV 104

Query: 61 KIESYLANLLLVRRKKVIEVATYPLILLSFVLIMIGLRNYLMPQLGENNFATRLITNVPN 120
      I+ YL + +R+K +EV TYPLILL FL ++M+GLR YL+PQL N T + + P
35 Sbjct: 105 AIQHYLNQMARIIRKTVIEVITYPLILLFLFVMMGLRRYLVPQLETQNQITYFLNHFP 164

Query: 121 IFL-LLLAVVLIFSLIFYIIQKRLSRIKVACFLTTPVLGYSYVKLYLTAYYAREWGNLLS 179
      F+ ++L+F ++ ++ + SR+K+ L+ P +G +K YLT+YYAREWG L+
40 Sbjct: 165 FFIGFCGSLILLFGMV-WLRWRSQRLKLYSRLSRYPFLGKLLKQYLTSYYAREWGTIG 223

Query: 180 QGIELDQIVKVMQNQKSLFREIGYDMEEGFLSGKAFHQKVLDPFFLTSLMIEYGQV 239
      QG++L I+ +M +KS L +E+ D+ L G+AFH KV YPFF ELSLMIEYG++
Sbjct: 224 QGLDMLTILDIMAIEKSSLMKELAEDIRMSLLEGQAFHIKVATYPPFKKELSLMIEYGEI 283

45 Query: 240 KAKLGTELDIYADEKWEDFFTKLARATQLIQVFIFVALIIVMIYAAAMLLPMYQNM 296
      K+KLG EL+IYA E WE FF++L + TQLIQ IF+ VA+ IVMIYAA+LLP+YQNM
Sbjct: 284 KSKLGAEEIYAQESWEQFFSQLYQVTQLIQPAIFLVAVTIVMIYAAILLPIYQNM 340

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50 A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8493> and protein <SEQ ID 8494> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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    Lipop: Possible site: -1   Crend: 9
    SRCFLG: 0
    McG: Length of UR: 2
          Peak Value of UR: 1.24
55          Net Charge of CR: 0
    McG: Discrim Score: -8.94
    GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -4.08
          Possible site: 31
    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
60 Amino Acid Composition: calculated from 1
    ALOM program count: 4 value: -14.65 threshold: 0.0
          INTEGRAL Likelihood = -14.65 Transmembrane 105 - 121 ( 95 - 126)
          INTEGRAL Likelihood = -13.53 Transmembrane 254 - 270 ( 246 - 277)
          INTEGRAL Likelihood = -8.55 Transmembrane 61 - 77 ( 57 - 84)

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PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 5.09 14
 modified ALOM score: 3.43
 icml HYPID: 7 CFP: 0.686

5 *** Reasoning Step: 3

----- Final Results -----

10 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.6859(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

57.5/79.7% over 279aa

15 Streptococcus gordonii
 GP|2058545| putative ABC transporter subunit ComYB Insert characterized

ORF00008(355 - 1194 of 1500)
 GP|2058545|gb|AAC45311.1||U81957(1 - 280 of 282) putative ABC transporter subunit ComYB
 {Streptococcus gordonii}

20 %Match = 33.8
 %Identity = 57.5 %Similarity = 79.6
 Matches = 161 Mismatches = 57 Conservative Sub.s = 62

144	174	204	234	264	294	324	354
TLRQVILKNTHTQSGIDKWI	SWLKKDISVRNRHKS	SKLSLKKQ	RKVQ	LNNLFASG	FLTDMVT	FLKRSK	LSDCYTDS

384	414	444	474	504	534	564	594
MNKALLEGKDL	SKMIGELG	FSDTVITQ	VALADLHGN	ISRLKIES	YLANLLLV	RKKVIE	VATYPLILLS
:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
MRQGLANGQAF	SEIMASLG	FSDAVVTQ	LSLAELHGN	SLALLKIE	EYLDNLAK	VKKKLE	VATYPMMLL
10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80

624	654	684	714	744	774	804	834
NYLMPQLGEN	NFATRLIT	VNFI	FLLLAV	VLIFSL	IFYIIQ	RLSRIK	VACFLT
:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
NYLLPQLSSQ	NFATQLIGH	LPITFL	LTVMML	LGLTGAI	YLVFKG	QKRIPV	YSFLAR
90	100	110	120	130	140	150	160

864	894	924	954	984	1014	1044	1074
SQGIELDQIV	KVMQNK	SKLFR	EIGYDME	EGLSGA	FAHQK	VLDPFF	LTSLMIE
:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
GQGLS	QIFQIM	QEQSVL	FQEI	QDGL	QALQNG	QEFSD	KIASYP
170	180	190	200	210	220	230	240

1104	1134	1164	1194	1224	1254	1284	1314
FTKLARATQ	LQIPVIF	VALIIV	MIYAAM	LLPMYQ	NMEILS	*KIYC*	NVRIRRL
:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
FGRVNR	TMNLIQ	PLVVF	VALMIV	LLYAAM	LLPLYQ	NMEVHL	
250	260	270	280				

SEQ ID 8494 (GBS49) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 11 (lane 5; MW 15kDa). It was also was expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 15 (lane 5; MW 60kDa).

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 118

A DNA sequence (GBSx0123) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 397> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 398>. This protein is predicted to be ComYD or ComGD. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 55

>>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.

----- Final Results -----

5 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.3000(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

10 >GP:CAA75315 GB:Y15043 homology to ComYD from Streptococcus gordonii,
 and ComGD from Bacillus subtilis [Lactococcus lactis subsp. cremoris]
 Identities = 56/138 (40%), Positives = 92/138 (66%), Gaps = 2/138 (1%)

15 Query: 12 KVKAFTLLECLVALVTITGALLVYQGLTKLLAQQIVVMSSSSQSEWVLLTQQLNAEFEGA 71
 K++AFTLLECLVAL+ I+G++LV GLT+++ +Q+ + + S+ +W + +Q+ +E GA
 Sbjct: 13 KIRAFTLLECLVALLAISGSVLVISGLTRMIEEQMKISQNDNRKDWQIFCEQMRSELSGA 72

 Query: 72 HLEYLRQNKLYLRKQDKIVTFGKSNKDDFRKTGYDGRGYQPMVYGLDNCQMSQTKSMVKL 131
 L+ + QN LY+ K DK + FG DDFRK+ G+GYQPM+Y L ++ ++++K+
 20 Sbjct: 73 KLDNVNQNFYVTK-DKKLRFGVLVG-DDFRKSDDKGGQGYQPMYDLKGAKIQAEENLIKI 130

 Query: 132 VFYFKDGLKRTFYDFKE 149
 F +G +R F Y F +

25 Sbjct: 131 TIDFDNGGERVFIYRFTD 148

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 399> which encodes the amino acid
 sequence <SEQ ID 400>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 28

30 >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.

----- Final Results -----

 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.3000(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 35 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

40 >GP:CAA75315 GB:Y15043 homology to ComYD from Streptococcus gordonii,
 and ComGD from Bacillus subtilis [Lactococcus lactis subsp. cremoris]
 Identities = 65/137 (47%), Positives = 84/137 (60%), Gaps = 2/137 (1%)

 Query: 8 IKAFTLLEALIALLVISGSLVYQGLTRTLKSHYLARHDQDNWLLFSHQLEELSGAR 67
 I+AFTLLE L+ALL ISGS+LV GLTR + + + +W +F Q+R ELSGA+
 45 Sbjct: 14 IRAFTLLECLVALLAISGSVLVISGLTRMIEEQMKISQNDNRKDWQIFCEQMRSELSGAK 73

 Query: 68 FYKVADNKLYVEKGGKVLAFGQFKSHDFRKSASNGKGYQPMLEFGISRSHIHIEQSQCIT 127
 V N LYV K KK L FG DFRKS G+GYQPM+ + + I E++ I IT
 50 Sbjct: 74 LDNVNQNFYVTKDKK-LRFG-LVGDDFRKSDDKGGQGYQPMYDLKGAKIQAEENLIKIT 131

 Query: 128 LKWKSGLERTFYAFQD 144
 + + +G ER F Y F D
 50 Sbjct: 132 IDFDNGGERVFIYRFTD 148

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

55 Identities = 58/137 (42%), Positives = 88/137 (63%)

 Query: 13 VKAFTLLECLVALVTITGALLVYQGLTKLLAQQIVVMSSSSQSEWVLLTQQLNAEFEGAH 72
 +KAFTLLE L+AL+ I+G+LLVYQGLT+ L+ ++ Q W+L + QL E GA
 60 Sbjct: 8 IKAFTLLEALIALLVISGSLVYQGLTRTLKSHYLARHDQDNWLLFSHQLEELSGAR 67

 Query: 73 LEYLRQNKLYLRKQDKIVTFGKSNKDDFRKTGYDGRGYQPMVYGLDNCQMSQTKSMVKLV 132
 + NKLY+ K K++ FG+ DFRK+ +G+GYQPM++G+ + +S + +
 60 Sbjct: 68 FYKVADNKLYVEKGGKVLAFGQFKSHDFRKSASNGKGYQPMLEFGISRSHIHIEQSQCIT 127

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Query: 133 FYFKDGLKRTFYDFKE 149
 +K GL+RTFYY F++
 Sbjct: 128 LKWKSGLERTFYYAFQD 144

A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8495> and protein <SEQ ID 8496> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Lipop: Possible site: -1 Crend: 10
 McG: Discrim Score: 4.86
 GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -0.22
 Possible site: 55
 >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.
 ALOM program count: 0 value: 12.47 threshold: 0.0
 PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 12.47 127
 modified ALOM score: -2.99
 *** Reasoning Step: 3
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.3000(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

GP|3287181| homology to ComYD from Streptococcus gordonii, and ComGD from Bacillus subtilis
 {Lactococcus lactis subsp. cremoris} Inse
 rt characterized

ORF00009(334 - 747 of 1053)
 GP|3287181|emb|CAA75315.1||Y15043(13 - 148 of 150) homology to ComYD from Streptococcus
 gordonii, and ComGD from Bacillus subtilis {L
 actococcus lactis subsp. cremoris}
 %Match = 15.9
 %Identity = 40.6 %Similarity = 68.1
 Matches = 56 Mismatches = 42 Conservative Sub.s = 38

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177      207      237      267      297      327      357      387
IC**EVGGFFYKIS*SDFVNPTRYFYFCSSYHCYDLCNAVINVSKYGDIIIMKNLLKCKDKVKAFITLLECLVALVTIT
                                     :   :   ||| ||| ||| ||| : |
40                                     MTMERKFCDLKLRKRAFTLLECLVALLAIS
                                     10    20    30

417      447      477      507      537      567      597      627
GALLVYQGLTKLLAQQIVVMSSSSQSEWVLLTQQLNAEFEGAHLEYLRQNKLYLRKQDKIVTFGKSNKDDFRKTYDGRG
|::||  |||::: :| : : : | : :| : : :| : :| : :| : :| : :| : :| : :| : :| : :| : :|
45 GSVLVISGLTRMIEEQMKISQNSRQDWQIFCEQMRSELSGAKLDNVNQNFVLYTK-DKKLRFGLVG-DDFRKSDDKGQG
      40      50      60      70      80      90      100

657      687      717      747      777      807      837      867
YQPMVYGLDNCQMSQTKSMVKLVFYFKDGLKRTFYDFKEET*SWHPFASYCIGCCYITRLTVLSSKNIGNRKTVS*PN*
|||::|  :  :  : : :| : :| : :| : :| : :| : :| : :| : :| : :| : :| : :| : :| : :|
50 YQPMLYDLKGAKIQAEENLIKITIDFDNGGERVFIYRFTDTK
      120      130      140      150

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SEQ ID 398 (GBS6) was expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 1 (lane 2; MW 40kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 2 (lane 2; MW 15kDa). The GBS6-GST fusion product was purified (Figure 189, lane 2) and used to immunise mice. The resulting antiserum was used for FACS (Figure 260), which confirmed that the protein is immunoaccessible on GBS bacteria.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 119

A DNA sequence (GBSx0124) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 401> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 402>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 43
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

10 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3831(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

15 >GP:AAC00317 GB:AF008220 YtxK [Bacillus subtilis]
 Identities = 106/329 (32%), Positives = 176/329 (53%), Gaps = 17/329 (5%)

Query: 1 MNFEKIETAYELILENIQTIENQLKTHIYDALIEQNSYYLGSSCDLDMVVVNNQKLRQLD 60
 M + + YEL+ E I+N+L+ +AL E Y D + + +OK +QL
20 Sbjct: 1 MQKDHVGAVYELLNEAAIMIKNELQISYIEALAEAGEMYFLEKTD-QLKLPADQKTKQLQ 59

Query: 61 LSQE-----EW-RRTFQFIFIKSAQTEQLQANHQTPTDSIGFILLFLEE-LTSQE 109
 E EW R+ FQ +K + + N Q TPD+IG + +L+ + + ++
25 Sbjct: 60 ALLEKAEEFGTYEHEWVRKAFQLAVLKGMM-DISHPNRQMTPTDTIGLFISYLVNKFMDKK 118

Query: 110 TVDVLEIGSGTGNLAQTLLNN-SSKELNYMGIEVDDLIDLSASIAEIIIGSSAQFIQEDA 168
 + +L+ GTGNL T+LN S K N GIE+DD+L+ ++ + A ++ + +D+
30 Sbjct: 119 ELTILDPALGTGNLLFTVLNQLSEKTANSFGIEIDDVLLKIAYAQANLLKKELELFHQDS 178

Query: 169 VRPQILKESDVIISDLFVGYYPNDDGIKRYAVSSSKEHTYAHHLMEQSLKYLKKDGIAT 228
 + P + D +I DLFVGYYPNDD A+ + + + H++AHHL +EQS+K+ K G
35 Sbjct: 179 LEPLFIDPVDTVICDLFVGYYPNDEGAEAFELKADEGHHSFAHHLFIEQSVKHTKPGGYLF 238

Query: 229 FLAPENLLTSPQSDLLKEWLKGYADVI AVLTLPETIFGSRQNAKSIFVLKKQAEQKP--- 285
 F+ P +L S QS LK++ K + A+L LP++IF +AKSI VL+KQ E
40 Sbjct: 239 FMIPNHLFESSQSGKLKQPFKDKVHINALLQLPKSIFKDEAHAKSILVLQKQGENTKAPG 298

Query: 286 ETFYVYPLTDLQNRENMANFIENFQKWSRE 314
 + + L N++ M + + F +W ++
40 Sbjct: 299 QILLANLPSFSNQKAMLDMMMAQFDEWFKK 327

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 403> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 404>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 57
>>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq

----- Final Results -----

45 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
50 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 223/315 (70%), Positives = 270/315 (84%)

55 Query: 1 MNFEKIETAYELILENIQTIENQLKTHIYDALIEQNSYYLGSSCDLDMVVVNNQKLRQLD 60
 M FEKIE AY+L+LEN Q IEN LKTHIYDA++EQNS+YLG+ V N+ KL+ L
 Sbjct: 16 MTFEKIEEAYQLLENCQLIENDLKTHIYDAIVEQNSFYLGAEASPVQAQNSDKLKALC 75

Query: 61 LSQEWEWRTFQFIFIKSAQTEQLQANHQTPTDSIGFILLFLEEELTSQETVDVLEIGSGT 120

L++EEWR+ +QF+FIK+AQTEQLQANHOFPTD+IGFILL+LLE+L+ +++++VLEIGSGT
 Sbjct: 76 LTKEEWRKAYQFLFIKAAQTEQLQANHOFPTDAIGFILLYLEQLSDKDSLEVLEIGSGT 135
 Query: 121 GNLAQTLLNNSKELNYMGIEVDDLLIDLSASIAETIGSSAQFIQEDAVRPQILKESDVI 180
 GNLAQTLLNN+SK L+Y+GIE+DDLLIDLSASIAEI+ SSA FIQEDAVRPQ+LKESD++
 Sbjct: 136 GNLAQTLLNNTSKSLDYVGIELDDLLIDLSASIAETIMDSSAHFIQEDAVRPQLLKESDIV 195
 Query: 181 ISDLFVGYYPNNGIAKRYAVSSSKEHTYAHLLMEQSLKYLKKDGI AIFLAPENLLTSPQ 240
 ISDLFVGYYPNND IAKRY V+SS +HTYAHLLMEQSLKYLKKDG AIFLAP NLLTSPQ
 Sbjct: 196 ISDLFVGYYPNDDIAKRYKVASSDKHTYAHLLMEQSLKYLKKDGF AIFLAPVNNLLTSPQ 255
 Query: 241 SDLLKEWLKGYADVIAVLTLPETIFGSRQNAKSIFVLKKQAEQKPETFVYPLTDLQNREN 300
 S LLK+WLK YA V+ ++TLP++IFG NAKSI VL+KQ + ETVFYP+ DL+ EN
 Sbjct: 256 SQLLKQWLKDYAQVVTLLITLPDSIFGHPSNAKSIIVLQKQTDHPMETFVYPIRDLKLAEN 315
 Query: 301 MANFIENFQKWSREN 315
 + +F+ENF+KW N
 Sbjct: 316 IHDFMENFKWKLSN 330

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 120

A DNA sequence (GBSx0125) was identified in *S. agalactiae* <SEQ ID 405> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 406>. This protein is predicted to be acetate kinase (ackA-1). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 15
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2384 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAC36857 GB:L17320 acetate kinase [Bacillus subtilis]
 Identities = 223/395 (56%), Positives = 293/395 (73%), Gaps = 3/395 (0%)
 Query: 1 MSKTIAINAGSSSLKWQLYEMPBEKVVAKGIIERIGLKDSISTVKFDDKKDEQILDIVDH 60
 MSK IAINAGSSSLK+QL+EMP E V+ KG++ERIG+ DS+ T+ + +K+ ++ DI DH
 Sbjct: 1 MSKIIAINAGSSSLKQLFEMPSETVLTGKGLVERIGIADSVFTISVNGEKNTEVTDIPDH 60
 Query: 61 TQAVKILLEDLTKHGIIKDFNEITGVGHRVVAGGEYFKESALVDDKVVEQVEELSALAPL 120
 AVK+LL LT+ GIIKD NEI G+GHRVV GGE F +S L+ D+ +++E++S LAPL
 Sbjct: 61 AVAVKMLLNKLTTEFGTIKDLNEIDGIGHRVVHGGEKFSVLLTDETIKEIEDISELAPL 120
 Query: 121 HNPAAAAGIRAFREILPDITSVCVFDTAFTTMQPHYLYPIPKYYTIDYKVRKYGAHGT 180
 HNPA GI+AF+E+LP++ +V VFDTAFH TM +YLY +P +YY + +RKYG HGT
 Sbjct: 121 HNPANIVGIKAFKEVLPNPAVAVFDTAFTHTMPEQSYLSLPEYEEKFGIRKYGFHGT 180
 Query: 181 SHQYVAQEAQQLGRPLEELKLITAHVGNVGSITANYHQSIDSMTSMGFTPLAGPMMGTRS 240
 SH+YV + AA+ LGRPL++L+LI+ H+GNG SI A G+SIDSMTSMGFTPLAG MGTRS
 Sbjct: 181 SHKVYTERAAELLGRPLKDLRLISCHLNGASIAAVEGGKSIDSMTSMGFTPLAGVAMGTRS 240
 Query: 241 GDIDPAIIPYLVANDPELEDAAAVNMNLNKQSGLLGVSGTSSDMRDIEAGLSKDPNAVL 300
 G+IDPA+IPY++ + D V+N LNK+SGLLG+SG SSD+RDI + + A
 Sbjct: 241 GNIDPALIPYIMEKTGQTAD--EVLNTLNKKSGLLGISGFSSDLRDIVEATKEGNERAET 298
 Query: 301 AYNVFIDRIKKFIGQYLAVLNGADAIIFTAGMGENAPLMRQDVIAGLSWFGIELDPE-KN 359
 A VF RI K+IG Y A ++G DAIIFTAG+GEN+ +R+ V+ GL+ G+ DP N
 Sbjct: 299 ALEVFASRIHKYIGSYAARMSGVDAIIFTAGIGENSVEVRERVLRLGLEFMGVYWDPALNN 358

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Query: 360 VFGYFGDITKPDSDKVKVLVIPTDEELMIARDVERL 394
 V G I+ P S VKV++IPTDEE+MIARDV RL
 Sbjct: 359 VRGEEAFISYPHSPVKVMIPTDEEVMIARDVVRL 393

- 5 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 407> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 408>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 28

10 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.22 Transmembrane 63 - 79 (63 - 79)
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1086(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 15 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

>GP:AAC36857 GB:L17320 acetate kinase [Bacillus subtilis]
 Identities = 218/395 (55%), Positives = 293/395 (73%), Gaps = 3/395 (0%)
 20 Query: 1 MSKTIAINAGSSSLKWQLYQMPEEAVLAQGIIERIGLKDSISTVKYDGKKEEQILDIDH 60
 MSK IAINAGSSSLK+QL++MP E VL +G++ERIG+ DS+ T+ +G+K ++ DI DH
 Sbjct: 1 MSKIIAINAGSSSLKFQLFEMPSETVLTGKGLVERIGIADSVFTISVNGEKNIEVDIPDH 60
 25 Query: 61 TEAVKILLNDLIHFGIIAAYDEITGVGHRVVAGGELFKESVVVNDKVLEQIEELSVLAPL 120
 AVK+LLN L FGII +EI G+GHRVV GGE F +SV++ D+ +++IE++S LAPL
 Sbjct: 61 AVAVKMLLNKLTEFGIIKDLNEIDGIGHRVVHGGEKFSDSVLLTDETIKEIEDISELAPL 120
 30 Query: 121 HNPAAAAGIRAFRDILPDITSVCVFDTSFHTSMAKHTYLYPIPKQYYTDYKVRKYGAHGT 180
 HNP GI+AF+++LP++ +V VFDT+FH +M + +YLY +P +YY + +RKYG HGT
 Sbjct: 121 HNPANIVGIIKAFKEVLPNVFAVAVFDTAHFQTMPEQSYLYSLPYEYKEFGIRKYGFHGT 180
 35 Query: 181 SHKYVAQEAAKMLGRPLEELKLITAHIGNGVSITANYHGKSVDTSMGFTPLAGPMMGTRS 240
 SHKYV + AA++LGRPL++L+LI+ H+GNG SI A GKS+DTSMGFTPLAG MGTRS
 Sbjct: 181 SHKYVTERAAELGRPLKDLRLISCHLNGASIAAVEGGKSIDTSMGFTPLAGVAMGTRS 240
 40 Query: 241 GDIDPAIIPYIEQDPELKDAADVNNMLNKKSGLSGVSGISSDMRDIEAGLQEDNPD AVL 300
 G+IDPA+IPY++E+ + D +V+N LNKKSGL G+SG SSD+RDI +E N A
 Sbjct: 241 GNIDPALIPYIMEKTGQTAD--EVLNLTNKKSGLLGISGFSSDLRDIVEATKEGNERAET 298
 45 Query: 301 AYNIFIDRIKKCIGQYFAVLNGADALVFTAGMGENAPLMRQDVIGGLTWFGMDIDPE-KN 359
 A +F RI K IG Y A ++G DA++FTAG+GEN+ +R+ V+ GL + G+ DP N
 Sbjct: 299 ALEVFASRIHKYIGSYAARMMSGVDIIIFTAGIGENSVEVRERVLRGLEFMGVYWDPALNN 358
 50 Query: 360 VFGYRGDISTPESKVKVLVISTDEELCIARDVERL 394
 V G IS P S VKV++I TDEE+ IARDV RL
 Sbjct: 359 VRGEEAFISYPHSPVKVMIPTDEEVMIARDVVRL 393

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

50 Identities = 332/395 (84%), Positives = 365/395 (92%)
 Query: 1 MSKTIAINAGSSSLKWQLYEMPEEKVVAKGIIERIGLKDSISTVKFDDKKDEQILDIDVDH 60
 MSKTIAINAGSSSLKWQLY+MP EE V+A+GIIERIGLKDSISTVK+D KK+EQILDI DH
 Sbjct: 1 MSKTIAINAGSSSLKWQLYQMPEEAVLAQGIIERIGLKDSISTVKYDGKKEEQILDIDH 60
 55 Query: 61 TQAVKILLEDLTKHGIIKDFNEITGVGHRVVAGGEYFKESALVDDKVVEQVEELSALAPL 120
 T+AVKILL DL GII ++EITGVGHRVVAGGE FKES +V+DKV+EQ+EELS LAPL
 Sbjct: 61 TEAVKILLNDLIHFGIIAAYDEITGVGHRVVAGGELFKESVVVNDKVLEQIEELSVLAPL 120
 60 Query: 121 HNPAAAAGIRAFREILEDITSVCVFDTAFTTMQPHYLYPIPKQYYTDYKVRKYGAHGT 180
 HNP AAAGIRAFR+ILEDITSVCVFDT+FTT+M HTYLYPIPKQYYTDYKVRKYGAHGT
 Sbjct: 121 HNPAAAAGIRAFRDILEDITSVCVFDTSFHTSMAKHTYLYPIPKQYYTDYKVRKYGAHGT 180
 Query: 181 SHQYVAQEAAKQLGRPLEELKLITAHVNGVSITANYHGSIDTSMGFTPLAGPMMGTRS 240

SH+YVAQEAAK LGRPLEELKLITAH+GNGVSITANYHG+S+DTSMGFTPLAGPMMGTRS
 Sbjct: 181 SHKYVAQEAAKMLGRPLEELKLITAHIGNGVSTITANYHGKSVDTSMGFTPLAGPMMGTRS 240

5 Query: 241 GDIDPAIIPYLVANDEPELEDAAAVVNMLNKQSGLLGVSGTSSDMRDIEAGLQSKDPNAVL 300
 GDIDPAIIPYL+ DPFL+DAA VVNMLNK+SGL GVSG SSDMRDIEAGLQ +P+AVL
 Sbjct: 241 GDIDPAIIPYLIEQDPFLKDAADVNNMLNKKSGLSGVSGISSDMRDIEAGLQEDNPDAVL 300

10 Query: 301 AYNVFIDRIKKFIGQYLAVLNGADAIIFTAGMGENAPLMRQDVIAGLSWFGIELDPEKNV 360
 AYN+PIDRIKK IGQY AVLNGADA++FTAGMGENAPLMRQDVI GL+WFG+++DPEKNV
 Sbjct: 301 AYNIFIDRIKKCIGQYFAVLNGADALVFTAGMGENAPLMRQDVIGGLTWFGMDIDPEKNV 360

15 Query: 361 FGYPGDITKPSKVKVLVIPTDEELMIARDVERLK 395
 FGY GDI+ P+SKVKVLVI TDEEL IARDVERLK
 Sbjct: 361 FGVRGDISTPESKVKVLVISTDEELCIARDVERLK 395

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 121

20 A DNA sequence (GBSx0126) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 409> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 410>. This protein is predicted to be repressor protein. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 17
 >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq

25 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

30 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:
 >GP:CAB49550 GB:AJ248284 repressor protein, putative [Pyrococcus
 abyssi]
 Identities = 39/64 (60%), Positives = 49/64 (75%)

35 Query: 1 MKNSLQKLKRSRKLSQAELAVLGVTRQTIIISLEKEKYTASLELAFKIARYFDKQIEEVF 60
 MKN L++ R+ L+Q ELA LGVTRQTII++EK KY SL LAFKIAR+F +IE++F
 Sbjct: 1 MKNRLREFREKYGLTQEELARILGVTRQTIIAIEKGKYDPSRLAFKIARFFGVRIEDIF 60

40 Query: 61 IYTE 64
 IY E
 Sbjct: 61 IYEE 64

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 411> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 412>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

45 Possible site: 40
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

50 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.4344 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

55 Identities = 29/66 (43%), Positives = 44/66 (65%)

Query: 1 MKNSLQKLKRSRKLSQAELAVLGVTRQTIIISLEKEKYTASLELAFKIARYFDKQIEEVF 60
 +KN L++LR ++Q E+A GV+RQTI +E+ +YT S+ +A KIA+ F + +EEVF
 Sbjct: 10 LKNRLKELRARDGINQTEMAKLAGVSRQTISLIERNEYTPSVIIAMKIAKVFQEPVEVF 69

Query: 61 IYTESE 66
 E E
 Sbjct: 70 RLVEVE 75

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 122

A DNA sequence (GBSx0127) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 413> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 414>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 32
 >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq

INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -8.97	Transmembrane	45 - 61 (41 - 66)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -8.65	Transmembrane	14 - 30 (11 - 37)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -7.80	Transmembrane	123 - 139 (118 - 145)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -3.24	Transmembrane	177 - 193 (177 - 194)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -0.85	Transmembrane	81 - 97 (81 - 97)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane	---	Certainty=0.4588(Affirmative)	< succ>
bacterial outside	---	Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear)	< succ>
bacterial cytoplasm	---	Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear)	< succ>

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9491> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9492> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:BAA11325 GB:D78257 ORF8 [Enterococcus faecalis]
 Identities = 48/120 (40%), Positives = 69/120 (57%), Gaps = 5/120 (4%)

Query: 104 MQGVKDTANQTVIMELTKQLPLALMLIFAIIGAPIMEEIIIFRYIIPKELFAKHQKWFVI 163
 MQG TAN + +++L + L+++ I APIMEEI+FR I L + +I
 Sbjct: 1 MQGHTTTANDSTLIKLFSGVSPVLVLLLGIAAPIMEEIVFRGGIIGYLVENNALLAILI 60

Query: 164 GTLAFALIHSPSDIGSFIIYAGMGAILSFVYKTEHLEYSIMIHFINN-----ALAYSVL 218
 + F +IH P++ SF +Y MG ILS YYKT+ L SI IHF+NN A+AY ++
 Sbjct: 61 SSFLFGIINHGPINFISFGMYFFMGIIILSVSYKTKDLRVSISIHFLNNLFFAIAIAYGLI 120

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 415> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 416>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 24
 >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq

INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -11.41	Transmembrane	12 - 28 (1 - 30)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -9.98	Transmembrane	41 - 57 (33 - 64)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -8.33	Transmembrane	128 - 144 (121 - 151)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -7.96	Transmembrane	83 - 99 (76 - 103)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -3.77	Transmembrane	208 - 224 (207 - 230)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -2.13	Transmembrane	182 - 198 (182 - 199)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane	---	Certainty=0.5564(Affirmative)	< succ>
bacterial outside	---	Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear)	< succ>
bacterial cytoplasm	---	Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear)	< succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

>GP:BAA11325 GB:D78257 ORF8 [Enterococcus faecalis]
 Identities = 47/120 (39%), Positives = 70/120 (58%), Gaps = 8/120 (6%)

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Query: 105 GQQVSANDAAIHTLARLIKGGFPLYTALFVLVIAFIAPIMEELVFRGFPMIDLFGKGSILK 164
 G +AND+ TL +L G P+ L VL++ APIMEE+VFRG + L + +L
 Sbjct: 3 GHTTTTANDS---TLIKLFGSVSPV---LVVLLLGIAAPIMEEIVFRGGIIGYLVENNAL- 55

5 Query: 165 VAGLVTSLVFALPHA-TNSVEFIMYSCMGIFLHVAYQRRGNLKDAILLHIFNNLIEVILL 223
 +A L++S +F + H TN + F MY MGI L V+Y + +L+ +I +H>NNL I +
 Sbjct: 56 LAILISSFLFGIHHGPTNFISFGMYFFMGII LSVSYKTKDLRVSISIHFLNNLFFPAIAI 115

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

10 Identities = 72/229 (31%), Positives = 114/229 (49%), Gaps = 24/229 (10%)

Query: 11 KGKILALLIAFLVINQLV-PILAVWLLKNHYQTPFTSILLIGL-----ELLIIALFLY 62
 KG I L IA L+I +V +L + LL+ + P IG+ +LI+ LY
 15 Sbjct: 2 KGFINYLKIAVLIIILAMVFNVLPMILLQKQHDIPVLNNGIGIFYLVIVGSLVIVLWGLY 61

Query: 63 YAKVKQIIRWKALLTRKALVT---ILLGWLSLRVPQIIGYLIMTM-QGVKDTANQTVIME 118
 AK I+ + + LV + L WL +RV I+G L+ + G + +AN I
 Sbjct: 62 QAKQDTPFIKQKQM---RLVDWGYLALFWLLIRVIAIVGTLVNQLWSGQQVSANDAAIHT 117

20 Query: 119 LTKQL---PLALMLIFAIG--APIMEEIIIFRYIIPKELF-AKHQKWGFVIGTLAFALI 171
 L + + PL L +I APIMEE++FR +LF K K ++ +L FAL
 Sbjct: 118 LARLIKGGFPLYTALFVLVIAFIAPIMEELVFRGFPMIDLFGKGSILKVAGLVTSLVFALP 177

25 Query: 172 HSPSDIGSFIIYAGMGAILSFVYYKTEHLEYSIMIHFINNALAYSVLIS 220
 H+ + + FI+Y+ MG L Y + +L+ +I++H NN + +L+S
 Sbjct: 178 HATNSV-EFIMYSCMGIFLHVAYQRRGNLKDAILLHIFNNLIEVILLMS 225

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

30 Example 123

A DNA sequence (GBSx0128) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 417> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 418>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 14
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

35 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0826 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 40 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAC06504 GB:AE000676 pyrroline carboxylate reductase [Aquifex
 aeolicus]
 Identities = 97/259 (37%), Positives = 159/259 (60%), Gaps = 4/259 (1%)

45 Query: 1 MKIGIIGVGM--ASAIIGLQKQTOHDIISGSCLEERSKEIAERLDVTYAESHQSLINQA 58
 M++GI+G G M A A+ K + +II++ E+ + +A + + +A + L + +
 Sbjct: 8 MRVGIVGFGMGQAFALCFSSKLGKENIIVTDKVQEK-RNLATEMGIAFASDVKFLADNS 66

50 Query: 59 DIIMLGIKPQLFEKVLLPLDITKPII-SMAAGISLARLSQLTRSDLPLIRIMPININAQIL 117
 D++++ +KP+ ++VL L K II S+ AG+S+ ++ ++ D ++R+MEN+N +
 Sbjct: 67 DVVLVAVKPKDSQEVLLQKLKDYKGIIILSIMAGVSIKMEKILGKDKKIVRVMENVNAVVG 126

55 Query: 118 QSCTAICYNHVSDELRLQAKEITDSFGSSFDIAETNFDITFALAGSSPAYIYLFIEALA 177
 AI N ++S+E R +E+ S G+ + I E FD FTALAGS PA+++ FI+ALA
 Sbjct: 127 SGVMAITDNGNLSEERSKVEELLLSCGTLYRIEERLFDFTALAGSGFAFVFSFIDALA 186

Query: 178 KAGVKYGFPEQALSIVGQTVLASSONLLQGQNSTSDLIDNICSPGGTTIAGLLDLEKNG 237
 AGV GF EQAL I TV+ S++ L + Q + ++LI + SPGGTTI G+ LE+ G
 60 Sbjct: 187 LAGVHQGFSYEQALRIALDVTVMGSAKLLKEFQVNPNELIAKVTSPPGGTTIEGKYLEEK 246

Query: 238 LTHSVISAIDATIEKAKKL 256
 +V+ I+ T +KAKKL
 Sbjct: 247 FKGTVMCEINRTSQKAKKL 265

- 5 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 419> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 420>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 50
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

10 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1043(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

- 15 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 180/256 (70%), Positives = 208/256 (80%)

Query: 1 MKIGIIGVGKMASAIIQGLKQTQHDIIISGSLERSKEIAERLDVITYAESHQSLINQADI 60
 MKIGIIGVGKMASAII+GLKQT H++IISGS LERSKEIAE+L + YA SHQ LI+Q D+
 20 Sbjct: 1 MKIGIIGVGKMASAIIKGLKQTPHELIISGSSLERSKEIAEQALALPYAMSHQDLIDQVDL 60
 Query: 61 IMLGIKPQLFEKVLLPLDITKPIISMAAGISLARLSQLTRSDLPLIRIMPNNINAQILQSC 120
 ++LGIKPQLFE VL PL +PIISMAAGISL RL+ DLPL+RIMPNN+NAQILQS
 Sbjct: 61 VILGIKPQLFETVLKPLHFKQPIISMAAGISLQRLATFVGGDLPLLRIMPNNMNAQILQSS 120
 25 Query: 121 TAICYNNHVSDELRLQLAKEITDSFGSSFDIAETNFDFTALAGSSPAYIYLFIEALAKAG 180
 TA+ N VS EL+ +++TDSFGS+FDI+E +FDTFTALAGSSPAYIYLFIEALAKAG
 Sbjct: 121 TALTGNALVSQELQARVRDLTDSFGSTFDISEKDFDTFTALAGSSPAYIYLFIEALAKAG 180
 30 Query: 181 VKYGFPEQALSIVGQTVLASSQNLLQGQNSTSDLDNICSPPGGTTIAGLLDLEKNGLTH 240
 VK G PK +AL IV QTVLAS+ NL S D ID ICSPGGTTIAGL++LE+ GLT
 Sbjct: 181 VKNGIPKAKALEIVTQTVLASASNLKTSQSPHDFIDAICSPGGTTIAGLMELERLGLTA 240
 Query: 241 SVISAIDATIEKAKKL 256
 +V SAID TI+KAK L
 35 Sbjct: 241 TVSSAIDKTIDKAKSL 256

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

40 Example 124

A DNA sequence (GBSx0129) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 421> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 422>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 58
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

45 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3405(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAA56994 GB:X81089 glutamyl-aminopeptidase [Lactococcus lactis]
 Identities = 219/354 (61%), Positives = 273/354 (76%), Gaps = 1/354 (0%)

55 Query: 3 DLFNKIKTVTELDGIAGYEHNIIRNLFRLQEIITPLVDQVETDGLGGIFGVKNTHETNAPKVM 62
 +LF+K+K +TE+ +G+E +R++L+ + L Q E DGLGGIF K + NAP++M
 Sbjct: 2 ELFDKVKALTEIQATSGFEGPVRDYLKARMVELGYQPEFDGLGGIFVTKASKVENAPRIM 61
 Query: 63 VAAHMDVGVFMVSHIQPDGTFRVLEVGGWNPLVVSSQRFTLYTRSGDAIPVISGSVPPHF 122

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- VAAHMDEVGMVS I+ DGTFRV+ +GGWNPLVVS QRFTL+TR+G IPV++G +PPH
 Sbjct: 62 VAAHMDEVGMVSSIKADGTRFVVPLGGWNPLVSSGQRFTLFRTRTGKKIPVVTGGLPPHL 121
- Query: 123 LRQSGGGTTLPKISDIVFDGGFTDKNEAESFGIAPGDIIVPKSETILTANQKHIMSKAWD 182
 LRG +P ISDI+FDG F + EA FGIA GD+I+P++ETIL+AN K+I+SKAWD
 Sbjct: 122 LRGTGVTPQIPAIISDIIFDGAFENAAEAEFGIAQGDLLIIPETETILSANGKNIISKAWD 181
- Query: 183 NRYGVLMVTELLKSLKDQSLSNLTLAGANVQEEVGLRGAVSTTKFNPDI FLAVDCSPAG 242
 NRYG LM+ ELL+ L D+ L TLI GANVQEEVGLRGA VSTTKFNPDP+ F AVDCSPA
 Sbjct: 182 NRYGCLMILELLEFLADKELPVTLIIGANVQEEVGLRGAKVSTTKFNPDLFFAVDCSPAS 241
- Query: 243 DIYG-EQGKIGEGTLIRFYDPGHIMLKDMRDFLLTTAEAGIKYQYYAANGGTDAGAAHL 301
 D +G + G++GEGT +RF+DPGHIML M++FLL TA A +K Q Y A GGTDAGAAHL
 Sbjct: 242 DTFGDDNGRLGEGTTLRFYDPGHIMLPGMKNFLLDTANHAKVKTQVYMAKGGTDAGAAHL 301
- Query: 302 KNSGIPSTTIGVCARYIHSHTLYAMDDFLQAQAYLQAIVNKLDNSTVDIIGY 355
 N G+PSTTIGV ARYIHSHT++ +DDFLQAQ +L+AI+ L+ V IK Y
 Sbjct: 302 ANGGVPSTTIGVVARYIHSHTLYAMDDFLQAQTLRLAITSLNTEKVAEIKNY 355
- 20 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 423> which encodes the amino acid
 sequence <SEQ ID 424>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:
 Possible site: 55
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
- 25 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2747(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
- 30 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:
 Identities = 276/355 (77%), Positives = 322/355 (89%)
- Query: 1 MSDLENKIKTVTELDGIAGYEHNI RNFLRQEITPLVDQVETDGLGGIFGVKNTHE TNAPK 60
 M+DLF+KIK VTELDGIAGYEH++R++LR +ITPLVD+VETDGLGGIFG++++ AP+
 35 Sbjct: 1 MTDLFSKIKEVTELDGIAGYEH SVRDYLRKITPLVDRVETDGLGGIFGIRDSKA EKAPR 60
- Query: 61 VMVAAHMDEVGMVSHIQPDGTFRVLEVGGWNPLVSSQRFTLYTRSGDAIPVISGSVPP 120
 ++VAAHMDEVGMVS I+ DGT RV+ +GGWNPLVSSQRFTLYTR+G IP+ISGSVPP
 Sbjct: 61 ILVAAHMDEVGMVSDIKVDGTLRVVGIGGWNPLVSSQRFTLYTRTGQVIPLISGSVPP 120
- 40 Query: 121 HFLRGQSGGTTLPKISDIVFDGGFTDKNEAESFGIAPGDIIVPKSETILTANQKHIMSKA 180
 HFLRG +G +LP I DIVFDGGFTDK EAE FGI PGDII+P+SETILTANQK+I+SKA
 Sbjct: 121 HFLRGANGSASLPHIEDIVFDGGFTDKAEAEFRFGITPGDIIIPQSETILTANQKNII SKA 180
- 45 Query: 181 WDNRYGVLMVTELLKSLKDQSLSNLTLAGANVQEEVGLRGAVSTTKFNPDI FLAVDCSP 240
 WDNRYGVLM+TE+L++LK Q L+NTLAGANVQEEVGLRGAVSTTKF+P++F AVDCSP
 Sbjct: 181 WDNRYGVLMITEMLEALKGQDLNNTLAGANVQEEVGLRGAVSTTKFDPPELFFAVDCSP 240
- Query: 241 AGDIYGEQKIGEGTLIRFYDPGHIMLKDMRDFLLTTAEAGIKYQYYAANGGTDAGAAH 300
 AGDIYG G IG+CTL+RFYDPGH+MLKDMRDFLLTTAEAG+ +QYY GGTDAGAAH
 50 Sbjct: 241 AGDIYGNPGTIGDGTLLRFYDPGHVMLKDMRDFLLTTAEAGVNFQYYCGKGGTDAGAAH 300
- Query: 301 LKNSGIPSTTIGVCARYIHSHTLYAMDDFLQAQAYLQAIVNKLDNSTVDIIGY 355
 L+N G+PSTTIGVCARYIHSHTLYAMDDF++AQA+LQAI+ KLDNSTVD+IK Y
 55 Sbjct: 301 LQNGGVPSTTIGVCARYIHSHTLYAMDDFVEAQAFLQAIKKLDNSTVDLIKCY 355

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 125

- 60 A DNA sequence (GBSx0130) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 425> which encodes the amino acid
 sequence <SEQ ID 426>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 26
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

5 ----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1672 (Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

10 No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 126

15 A DNA sequence (GBSx0131) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 427> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 428>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 31
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
INTEGRAL Likelihood = -2.28 Transmembrane 18 - 34 (17 - 34)
20 ----- Final Results -----
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1914 (Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

25 The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 429> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 430>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 21
>>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
30 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -6.16 Transmembrane 12 - 28 (8 - 30)
----- Final Results -----
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.3463 (Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
35 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 30/91 (32%), Positives = 48/91 (51%)
40 Query: 13 MKNKKILFGTGLAGVGLLAAAGYTLTKKVTDYKRQQITQTLREFFSQMGDIQVFYFNEFE 72
M KKI +G+ G L G + D +R+Q+T+ LR FFS +G I+V Y N +
Sbjct: 4 MSKKKIGMISGIFGFSLAIGLGIVIKDYCQDRQRRQMTRDLRTFFSPLGQIEVLYINPCQ 63
45 Query: 73 SDIKMTSGGLVLEDGRIFEFIYRQGVLDYVE 103
SGG+V+ +G+ ++F Y + + E
Sbjct: 64 VKQDYISGGVMSNGKQYQFTYHSRQISFEE 94

50 A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8497> and protein <SEQ ID 8498> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Lipop Possible site: -1 Crend: 4
SRCFLG: 0
McG: Length of UR: 21

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Peak Value of UR: 2.30
 Net Charge of CR: 3
 McG: Discrim Score: 6.28
 GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -1.46
 Possible site: 19
 >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.
 Amino Acid Composition: calculated from 20
 ALOM program count: 0 value: 22.60 threshold: 0.0
 PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 22.60 29
 modified ALOM score: -5.02
 *** Reasoning Step: 3
 Rule gpol
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.3000(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

SEQ ID 8498 (GBS214) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 40 (lane 3; MW 13.9kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 46 (lane 6; MW 39kDa).

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 127

A DNA sequence (GBSx0132) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 431> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 432>. This protein is predicted to be thioredoxin H1 (trxA). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 40
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2350(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:BA06972 GB:AP001518 thioredoxin H1 [Bacillus halodurans]
 Identities = 47/90 (52%), Positives = 66/90 (73%)
 Query: 14 IDSTKIKVFFFTADWCPDCQFIYPVMPSEIKDFSDVFVVRVNRDDYIELAQQWNIFGIPS 73
 + + + VVF F+ADWCPDC+ I P +P +E+ + ++ F VNRDD+IEL Q+ +IFGIPS
 Sbjct: 13 VKNQENVVFLFSADWCPDCRVIEPFLPELEQTYDEYQFYVNRDDFIELCQELDIFGIPS 72
 Query: 74 FVVVENGQELGRLVNKNRKTAEITKFLAE 103
 F+ NG+E R V+K+RKT EI +FL E
 Sbjct: 73 FLFYSGEERSRFVSKDRKTKEEIERFLTE 102

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 433> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 434>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 35
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1997(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 70/102 (68%), Positives = 81/102 (78%)

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Query: 1 MILPESYEEIAAYIDSTKIVVFFFTADWCPDCQFIYPVMPSEKDFSDFFVVRVNRDDYI 60
MI P SYE +A I+ K+V FFTADWCPDCQFIYP+MP IE + +D FV VNRD +I
Sbjct: 1 MIRPTSYESLATLIEKEDKLVLFFTADWCPDCQFIYPIMPEIEAELTDMTFVCVNRDQFI 60

10

Query: 61 ELAQQWNIFGIPSFVVVENGQELGRLVKNRKTAEITKFLA 102
E+AQ+WNIFGIPSFVV+E GQE+GRLVKN RKT E EI FLA
Sbjct: 61 EVAQKWNIFGIPSFVVEKGQEVGRLVKNRKTAEITKFLA 102

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for
15 vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 128

A DNA sequence (GBSx0133) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 435> which encodes the amino acid
sequence <SEQ ID 436>. This protein is predicted to be phenylalanyl-tRNA synthetase beta subunit, non-
spirochete. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

20 Possible site: 47
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

25 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1310(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

30 >GP:AAC00291 GB:AF008220 YtpR [Bacillus subtilis]
Identities = 78/196 (39%), Positives = 125/196 (62%), Gaps = 1/196 (0%)

Query: 5 YNREHVGDTLMVIVKDSQGAKLDVDRRGQVARVYLQDSKETVAMNIFEVSSSLIVIEGAGQ 64
YN+E VGDTL++ ++D +L ++ G V +++ ++KET +NIF SS + I+ G
35 Sbjct: 5 YNKEGVGDTLLISLQDVTREQLGYEKHGDVVKIFNNETKETTGFNIFNASSYLTIDENG 64

Query: 65 ITLSQDQDIKILNAELLKEGFEDSLVNNIEPTFVVAQIKEIIDHPDSHLHCQAEINDGK 124
+ LS+ ++ +N L + G E++LV ++ P FVV ++ HP++D L +C+ + + +
Sbjct: 65 VALSETFVQDVNEILNRNGVEETLVVDLSPKFVVGYESKEKHPNADKLSVCKVNVGE-E 123

40 Query: 125 TVQIVCGAPNASVGLKTVAAALPGAMPNGSLIFPGKLRGSDSFGMLCSARELALPNAPQV 184
T+QIVCGAPN G K V A GA+MP+G +I +LRG S GM+CSA+EL LP+AP
Sbjct: 124 TLQIVCGAPNVDQGGKVVVAKVGAVMPGSLVIKDAELRGVPSSGMICSAKELDLPDAPAE 183

45 Query: 185 RGIIELSDQVIVGESF 200
+GI+ L G++F
Sbjct: 184 KGILVLEGDYRAGDAF 199

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 437> which encodes the amino acid
sequence <SEQ ID 438>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

50 Possible site: 47
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
INTEGRAL Likelihood = -1.49 Transmembrane 90 - 106 (90 - 107)

----- Final Results -----

55 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1595(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

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>GP:BA06970 GB:AP001518 phenylalanyl-tRNA synthetase (beta subunit)
  [Bacillus halodurans]
  Identities = 84/196 (42%), Positives = 124/196 (62%), Gaps = 1/196 (0%)

5   Query: 5   YNKEQVGDVLMVILQDTKDIKRQVERKGKVARVFAESGKTLAWNIFEASSLITIEGNGQ 64
      YN++ +GD +++++ + + R ER+G V R++ +GKT +N+F AS G G
      Sbjct: 5   YNEKGIGDTILIVIDEVEPANRAYERQGDVVRIYHLGTGKTTGYNLFHASKYGEFNGQGL 64

10  Query: 65   IFLTNDENLARLNLAELAKEGFSEPLEPIVGPVVFVVGQIVEMVAHPDSHNLICQVAIGEDQ 124
      + LTD +A L K G + LE + P FVVG + HP++D L+IC+V +G D
      Sbjct: 65   LELTDSLVALEQAFQKNGVNWILEVDLSPKFVVGFEVQSKDKHPNADKLSTCKVDVGS- 123

15  Query: 125  TVQIVAGAPNAALGLKTIVALPGAIMPNGSLIFPGKLRGEESYGMCSPRELALPNAPQK 184
      T+QIV GAPN G K +VAL GA+MP+G +I P LRG S GM+CS +ELALP+AP++
      Sbjct: 124  TLQIVCGAPNVEAGQKVVVALEGAVMPGSLVIKPTSLRGVSSTGMICSAKELALPDAPEE 183

20  Query: 185  RGIIEFDESAVVGEAF 200
      +GI+ D+S VG +F
      Sbjct: 184  KGILVLDSDSYEVGTSTF 199

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

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  Identities = 133/207 (64%), Positives = 167/207 (80%)

25  Query: 1   MIFTYNREHVGDTLMVIVKDSQGAKLDVDRRGQVARVYLQDSKETVAWNIFEVSSLIVIE 60
      MIF YN+E VGD LMVI++D++ K V+R+G+VARV+ ++S +T+AWNIFE SSLI IE
      Sbjct: 1   MIFAYNKEQVGDVLMVILQDTKDIKRQVERKGKVARVFAESGKTLAWNIFEASSLITIE 60

30  Query: 61   GAGQITLSDQDIKILNAELLKEGFEDSLVNNIEPTFVVAQIKEIIDHPDSHNLICQAEI 120
      G GQI L+D+++ LNAEL KEGF + L + P FVV QI E++ HPDSHNL+ICQ I
      Sbjct: 61   GNGQIFLTNDENLARLNLAELAKEGFSEPLEPIVGPVVFVVGQIVEMVAHPDSHNLICQVAI 120

35  Query: 121  NDGKTVQIVCGAPNASVGLKTVAALPGAMMPNGSLIFPGKLRGEDSFGMLCSARELALPN 180
      + +TVQIV GAPNA++GLKT+ ALPGA+MPNGSLIFPGKLRGE+S+GM+CS RELALPN
      Sbjct: 121  GEDQTVQIVAGAPNAALGLKTIVALPGAIMPNGSLIFPGKLRGEESYGMCSPRELALPN 180

40  Query: 181  APOVRGIIELSDQVIVGESFDANKHWK 207
      APQ RGIIE + +VGE+FD KHWK
      Sbjct: 181  APQKRGIIEFDESAVVGEAFDPAKHWK 207

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 129

A DNA sequence (GBSx0135) was identified in *S. agalactiae* <SEQ ID 439> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 440>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 30
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
50      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3052(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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55  >GP:AAB81904 GB:U92974 unknown [Lactococcus lactis]
      Identities = 69/241 (28%), Positives = 117/241 (47%), Gaps = 15/241 (6%)

      Query: 7   YKEMLAKPWGKIQYEITFAQL--SHIKNQNVLDGAGFCLTEQHLAKEN-NVTALIEPNPK 63
      Y E+ KPWG++ Y++ F QL + K+ +L FG+GF TE L ++ VT EP+ +
60  Sbjct: 23   YAEVFKEKPGRMFYDLLFPQLLPLNTKDSKILSFGSGFGRITETFLLEEQGFVITGYEPDVE 82

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Query: 64 LLYDNQSDNIYKILGSYEALRD-LPDQSFDTTICHNVLEYIDKHNHPAYFDEFSRLKPN 122
 L ++ G+++ + + ++ +D I+ HNVLEY+ + + LL
 Sbjet: 83 KLEMSDQTFRQLTGTFFDFAETVKNERVDVILHNVLEYV--LDRKVVLELLLSLLTDG 140

Query: 123 GELSLIKHNITGKILQSVIFSNDTSTAMELLTGEANFKSASFQGNITYT-----LEELKQ 177
 G LS++KH+ G +++ ++ A+++ EA AS + G+I L +
 Sbjet: 141 GTLSIVKHSKYGSMIEMAAGRDNPAALDVYENEA---VASHNHGDILVYDDDLTDFVA 197

Query: 178 NTNLLVERYQGIRTFYSLOPN-HFKTETGWLNKMLAIELSVADKAPYKDIAFLQHITLKK 237
 N L ++ GIR FY + N K W ML +E VA +A L H+ KKS
 Sbjet: 198 NYKLKLEKFGIRHFYGISQNAEIKETENWYQPMLEQKQVAKDQTLYPVARLHHLLIFKKS 258

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

- 15 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 130

A DNA sequence (GBSx0136) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 441> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 442>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

20 Possible site: 58
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
 25 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3479(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

30 >GP:AAF74079 GB:AF212845 putative single stranded binding protein
 [Lactococcus lactis bacteriophage u136]
 Identities = 64/141 (45%), Positives = 92/141 (64%), Gaps = 10/141 (7%)

Query: 1 MYNKVIMIGRLTAKPEMVKTPTDKSVTRATVAVNRRFKGSNGEREADFINVVMWGRLAET 60
 M N V ++GR+T +PE+ TP +K+V T+AVNR FK +NGEREADFT+ V+WG+ AE
 35 Sbjet: 1 MINNVTLVGRLTKEPELRYTPQNKAATFTLAVNRAFKNANGEREADFISCVIWKSAEN 60

Query: 61 LASYGTKGSLISIDGELRTRKYE-KDGQTHYITEVLASSFQLLESRAQ-----RAM 110
 LA++ KG LI + G ++TR YE + GQ YITEV+AS+FQ+LE Q +
 40 Sbjet: 61 LANWTHKGQLIGVIGNIQTRNYENQQQORVYITEVVASNFQVLEKSNQANGERISNPASK 120

Query: 111 RENNVSGLSDLVLEEEELPF 131
 +NN S + + +++LPF
 Sbjet: 121 PQNNSFGSDPMEISDDDLPF 141

- 45 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 443> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 444>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 32
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

50 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1817(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

- 55 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 102/131 (77%), Positives = 116/131 (87%)

Query: 1 MYNKVIMIGRLTAKPEMVKTPTDKSVTRATVAVNRRFKGSNGEREADFINVVMWGRLAET 60

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MYNKVI IGRL AKPE+VKT TDK V R ++AVNRRFK ++GEREADFI+VV+WG+LAET
 Sbjct: 1 MYNKVIAIGRLVAKPELVKTATDKHVARLSLAVNRRFKNASGEREADFISVVVWGKLAET 60
 Query: 61 LASYGTKGSLISIDGELRTRKYEKDGQTHYTEVLASSFQLLESRAQGRAMRENNVSGDLS 120
 5 L SY +KGS+SIDGELRTRKY+KDGQ HY+TEVL SFQLLESRAQGRAMRENNV+ DL
 Sbjct: 61 LVSYASKGSLMSIDGELRTRKYDKDGQVHYVTEVLCQSFQLLESRAQGRAMRENNVTNDLV 120
 Query: 121 DLVLEEEELPF 131
 DLVLEE+ LPF
 10 Sbjct: 121 DLVLEEDTLPF 131

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 131

15 A DNA sequence (GBSx0137) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 445> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 446>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 49
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

20 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2235(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

25 A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9493> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9494> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAC13072 GB:AL445503 putative hydrolase [Streptomyces
 coelicolor]
 30 Identities = 63/179 (35%), Positives = 91/179 (50%), Gaps = 2/179 (1%)
 Query: 33 IIFDMGVIVDSEYTFLDNKTEMLREEGI-DTDVSYQYQYMGTTFEFMWQAMKEEFGLPK 91
 +IFD+DG +VDSE + + L E G+ D + Y+G + + K +GL
 Sbjct: 12 VIFDLGTLVDSEPHYEAGRRTLAEYGVPDFSWADHEAYVGISTQETVADWKRRYGLRA 71
 35 Query: 92 TVKEYIAEMNRRRQAIVARDGVRPIKGAQRLLHHLHQHYRLAVASSSPMVDIKRNLKEL 151
 TV+E +A NR + AR R ++ + L G +AVAS S I L
 Sbjct: 72 TVEELLAVKNRHYLGL-ARTSARAYPEMRKFVELLAGEGVPMMAVASGSSPEAIAAILART 130
 40 Query: 152 GVTECFEYMTGEDVSSSKPAPDVFLRAAELLDVDPKVCIVIEDTRNGSLAAKAAGMYC 210
 G+ +V+ ++V+ KPAPDVFL AA L +P C+V+ED G+ AA AAGM C
 Sbjct: 131 GLDAHLRTTVSADEVARGKPAPDVFLAARRLGTEPARCVCVLEDAAPGAAAAHAAGMRC 189

45 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 447> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 448>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 25
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

50 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3706(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

55 Identities = 62/202 (30%), Positives = 100/202 (48%), Gaps = 1/202 (0%)
 Query: 29 MEKVIIIFDMGVIVDSEYTFLDNKTEMLREEGIDTDVSYQYQYMGTTFEFMWQAMKEEFG 88

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M K IIFDMDGV+ D+E +L + + + +GI D ++G + +W+ + +
 Sbjct: 3 MIKGIIFDMDGVLPDTEPFYLRREDFFKTKGIPIDHLNSKDFIGGNLQELWKELLGKNR 62
 Query: 89 LPKTVKEYIAEMNRRRQAIVARDGVRPIKGAQRLLHWHQHGYRLAVASSSPMVDIKRNL 148
 5 VK + + +QA I + L + G +LAVAS+S D+ L
 Sbjct: 63 DDAIVKAITTDYDAYKQAHKPPYQKLLITEVNSCLEQLEKQGIKLAVASNSKRQDVLLAL 122
 Query: 149 KELGVTECFEYMTGEDVSSSKPAPDVFLRAAELLVDVDPKVCIVIEDTRNGSLAAKAAGM 208
 + + + FE ++ EDVS KP PD++ +A + L + K +V+ED++ G AAKAA +
 10 Sbjct: 123 ETTQIKDYFEIILAREDVSRGKPYPDLYNKAVQKLGKQLLVVEDSQKGIAAKAANL 182
 Query: 209 YCFGFANPDYPPQDLSMADKVI 230
 F + Y D S AD I
 15 Sbjct: 183 TVFAITDYRY-GIDQSQADHKI 203

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 132

20 A DNA sequence (GBSx0138) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 449> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 450>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 20
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.22 Transmembrane 16 - 32 (16 - 32)
 25 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1086(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

30 The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 133

35 A DNA sequence (GBSx0139) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 451> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 452>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 34
 >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
 40 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -5.04 Transmembrane 28 - 44 (27 - 45)
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.3017(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 45 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 134

A DNA sequence (GBSx0140) was identified in *S. agalactiae* <SEQ ID 453> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 454>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 17
5  >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -10.72    Transmembrane    38 - 54 ( 34 - 60)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -7.70     Transmembrane     4 - 20 ( 1 - 22)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -4.99     Transmembrane    153 - 169 ( 150 - 171)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -2.55     Transmembrane    179 - 195 ( 178 - 198)
10  INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -2.39     Transmembrane     93 - 109 ( 93 - 109)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -1.17     Transmembrane    116 - 132 ( 116 - 133)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -0.43     Transmembrane    344 - 360 ( 344 - 360)

----- Final Results -----
15  bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5288(Affirmative) < succ>
    bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
    bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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20  >GP:CAB14853 GB:Z99118 two-component sensor histidine kinase
    [Bacillus subtilis]
    Identities = 254/585 (43%), Positives = 371/585 (63%), Gaps = 9/585 (1%)

    Query: 2  LMVLLFQRLGIIMILAFLLVNSYFRQLIEERSK-RETVVLVIFGLFVIISNITGIEIK 60
25  LM+++ +R+GII+IL F+L + FRQ ++ + + +L+ IF LF IISN TGIEI+
    Sbjct: 4  LMIMMLERVGIIVILGFILAHFKLFRQALQNQDGYKGKAILISIFSLFSIISNYTGIEIQ 63

    Query: 61  GDRSLVERPFLTTISHSDSLANTRTLVITTAASLVGGPLVGSIVGFIGGVHRFFQGSFSGS 120
30  + +V ++ TI S S+ANTR L + L+GGP VG+ +G + G+HRF G +
    Sbjct: 64  RNM-IVNNDWVFTIDPSGSIANTRILGVEIGGLGGPFVAGIGILAGLHRFSLGGSTAL 122

    Query: 121 FYIVSSVLVGIVSGKIGDKLKENHLPSTSQVILISIIAESIQMLFVGIFT-----GWEL 175
35  VSS+L G+++G IG + + P+ L+ I ES+QM+ + + WEL
    Sbjct: 123 SCAVSSILAGVLAGLIGRYFTKRYRMPTRIAALVIGIGMESLQMIILLMAKPFSDAWEL 182

    Query: 176 VKMIVIPMMIILNSLSTLFLAILKTYLSNESQLRAVQTRDVLLELTROTLPYLROGLTPQS 235
40  V MI IPM+++N GS +FL+I++ + E Q RA++T VL + QTL+ RQGL S
    Sbjct: 183 VSMIGIPMILINGTGSFIFLSIIQAIIRKEEQARALETNRVLTADQTLPPFRQGLNENS 242

    Query: 236 ARSVCBIIKRHTNFDVAVGLTDRSNVLAHIGVGHDDHIIAGQPVKTDLSKSVIFDGEPRIAQ 295
45  +SV II + T DAV LTD+ +LAH+G G DHHI + + T LSK VI G A
    Sbjct: 243 CKSVAIIHKLTGTDVAVSLTDKEKILAHVGAGMDHHIPSKSLITGLSKKVIKTGHIMKAI 302

    Query: 296 DKA AISCPDHNCQLNSAIVVPLKINDKTVGALKMYFAGDKTMSEVEENLVGLAQIFSGQ 355
50  + I C C L++AIV+PL N T+G LKMYF +S+VEE L GLA +FS Q
    Sbjct: 303 SQREIECTHAECPLHAAIVLPLTNSGNTIGTLKMYFKSPAGLSQVEEELAEGLAMLFSTQ 362

    Query: 356 LAMGITEEQNKLASMAEIKALQAQINPHFFFNAINTISALIRIDSKARYALMQLSTFFR 415
55  L +G E Q+KL AEIKALQAQ+NPHF FNAINTISAL R D +K R L+QLS +FR
    Sbjct: 363 LEIGEAEQLSKLLKDAEIKALQAQVNPFLFNAINTISALCRTDVEKTRKLLQLSVYFR 422

    Query: 416 TSLQGGQDREVTLQEKSHVDAYMNVKLRFPDKYQLSYDI-SAPEKMKLPPFGLQVLVE 474
60  ++LQG + + L +E +H++AY+++E+ RFP KY++ +I S E++++PPF LQVLVE
    Sbjct: 423 SNLQGARQLLIPLSKELNHLNAYLSLEQARFPKYKIELNIDSRLEQIEIPPFVLQVLVE 482

    Query: 475 NAVRHAFKERTDNHILVQIKPDGHYCVSVSDNGQGISTTIIDKLGQETVAESKGTGTA 534
65  NA+RHAF +++ + V + D + V+DNG+GI ++ +LG++ +GTGTA
    Sbjct: 483 NALRHAFPKQDICKVTVCVLSDDASVYMKVADNGRGIPDVLPELGKKPFPSKEGTGTA 542

    Query: 535 LVNLNRLNLLYGSVSLHFSSD-KNGTKVWYRIPNRIEDEHEN 578
70  L NLN RL L+G + LH SS+ GT+V +++P + ++ E+
    Sbjct: 543 LYNLNRLIGLFGQQAALHISSEVHKGTVEVSFQVPMQMQKEGEEH 587

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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 455> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 456>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 23
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1771(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 75/245 (30%), Positives = 117/245 (47%), Gaps = 22/245 (8%)

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Query: 348 LAQIFSGQL-----AMGITEEQNKSLASMAEIKALQAINPHFFFNAINNTISALIRI-DSD 401
      LAQ F+  L      M    ++ K      ++AL +QINPHF +N ++TI +    DS
Sbjct: 4   LAQQFNALLDQIDSLMVAVADKEKAIGQYRLQALASQINPHFLYNTLDTIIWMABFNDK 63

Query: 402 KARYALMQLSTFFRTSLQGGQDREVTLEQEKSHVDAYMNVKLRFPDKYQLSYDISAPE- 460
      +      L+ +FR +L G + + L E HV Y+ ++K R+ DK LSY++ +
Sbjct: 64 RVVEVTKSLAKYFRILALNQNEY-IRLADELHDHVSQYLFIQKQRYGDK--LSYEVQGLDV 120

Query: 461 --KMKLPPFGLQVLVENAVRHAFKERKTDNHILVQIKPDGHYYCVSVSDNGQGISDTIID 518
      +P  LQ LVENA+ H KE      I V +      + ++V DNG+GI D+ +
Sbjct: 121 YADFVIPKLILQPLVENAIYHGIEKVDKGMIEKVTVSDTAQHMLMLTVWDNKGIEDSSLT 180

Query: 519 KLGQETVAESKGTGTALVNLNRLNLLYGS--VSCLHFSSDKNGTKWYRIPNR---IRE 573
      Q  +A      G L N++ RL L YG      +H SD+ T++ +P  + +
Sbjct: 181 N-SQSLARG---GVGLKNVDQRLKLHYGEGYHMTIHSQSDQ-FTEIQLSLPKMHLMAD 235

Query: 574 DEHEN 578
      D  EN
Sbjct: 236 DTQEN 240

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SEQ ID 454 (GBS248d) was expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 124 (lane 2-4; MW 71kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 124 (lane 5-7; MW 46kDa) and in Figure 180 (lane 2; MW 46kDa).

GBS248d-His was purified as shown in Figure 234, lane 3-4.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 135

A DNA sequence (GBSx0141) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 457> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 458>. This protein is predicted to be two-component response regulator (IytT). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 61
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3230(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9495> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9496> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAB14852 GB:Z99118 two-component response regulator [Bacillus subtilis]
Identities = 105/244 (43%), Positives = 157/244 (64%), Gaps = 6/244 (2%)

5 Query: 3 MKILILDDDEMFAEQELSFLVEHSQEVDNPEIFQAEDISEAEKILFRQQIDLIFLDISLSE 62
+++LI+DDEM AR EL++L++ + D EI +AE+I A + Q+ DL+FLD+ LS
Sbjct: 2 LRVLIVDDEMLARDELAYLLKRTN--DEMEINEAENIESAFDQMDQKPDLLFLDVLDSG 59

10 Query: 63 ENGFTLANQLSQLAHPPLVVFATAYDNYAVKAFESNAVDYIMKPFQQRVDMALSKVKKL 122
ENGF +A +L ++ HPP +VFATAYD YA+KAFE +A+DY+ KPF+++R+ L K KK+
Sbjct: 60 ENGFDIAKRLKKMKHPPAIVFATAYDQYALKAFEVDALDYLT KPFDEERIQOTLKKYKVV 119

15 Query: 123 SQLTTASDVEQAIPKKASVELLTTLTSDRSVVVKMQDIVAASVEDGELTVSTVQKTYTIR 182
++ VE A L L++ + V+V +DI+ A EDG + V T +YT+
Sbjct: 120 NR----DIVTEQNSHAGQHKLALSVGESIVIVDTKDIIYAGTEDGHVNVKTFDHSYTVS 175

20 Query: 183 KTLNWFKSRVAVPYFLQIHRNTVINLEMIIEIQPWFNHTLLILMSNGEKFPVGRSYLKDL 242
TL + + F+++HR+ V+N E I+EIQWFN T LIM +G K PV R+Y K+L
Sbjct: 176 DTLVVIEKKLPDSDFIRVHRSFVVNTEYIKEIQPWFNSTYNLIMKDGSKIPVSRTYAKEL 235

Query: 243 NEHL 246
+ L
Sbjct: 236 KKLL 239

25 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 459> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 460>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 27
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

30 ----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3818(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

35 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 44/148 (29%), Positives = 84/148 (56%), Gaps = 5/148 (3%)

40 Query: 5 ILILDDDEMFAEQELSFLVEHSQ-EVDNPEIFQAEDISEAEKILFRQQIDLIFLDISLSEE 63
+LI++DE RQ + LV+ SQ ++D + +AE+ A + ++ D++ DI++ +
Sbjct: 4 LLIVEDLEYLRQGIRSLVDFSQFKIDR--VNEAENGQLAWDLFQKEFYDIVLTDINMEKL 61

45 Query: 64 NGFTLANQLSQLAHPPLVVFATAYD--NYAVKAFESNAVDYIMKPFQQRVDMALSKVKK 121
NG LA + Q + +VF T YD NYA+ A + A DY++KPF + V+ L K++K
Sbjct: 62 NGIQLAELIKQESPQTHLVFLTGYYDFNYALSALKLGADDYLLKPFKADVEDMLGKLRK 121

Query: 122 LSQLTASDVEQAIPKKASVELLTTLTSL 149
+L+ ++ Q + ++ E+ + ++
Sbjct: 122 KLELSKKTETIQELVEQPQKEVSAIAMA 149

50 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 136

A DNA sequence (GBSx0142) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 461> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 462>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

55 Possible site: 18
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0266(Affirmative) < succ>

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bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

5 No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 137

10 A DNA sequence (GBSx0143) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 463> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 464>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 37

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

15 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -11.89 Transmembrane 104 - 120 (99 - 134)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -5.89 Transmembrane 47 - 63 (46 - 65)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -3.29 Transmembrane 22 - 38 (21 - 39)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -2.81 Transmembrane 74 - 90 (70 - 92)

----- Final Results -----

20 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5755 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 8499> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 8500> was also identified.

25 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAB14851 GB:Z99118 similar to hypothetical proteins from B. subtilis [Bacillus subtilis]
 Identities = 50/110 (45%), Positives = 82/110 (74%), Gaps = 2/110 (1%)

30 Query: 20 QMSIYAAILLVSQMISMLLPKSLPIPTTVIGLVLMYVLLTAKIIKVEWVDSFGALMISMI 79
 Q I+A I+LVS MI+ ++P +PIP +V+GLVL+++LL K+IK+E V++ G + S+I
 Sbjct: 12 QAFIFAVIMLVSNMIAAIVP--IPIPASVVGLVLLFLLCLKVIKLEQVETLGTSLTSLI 69

35 Query: 80 GFMFVPSGISVAANLDILKAEGLQLVAVITISTVVMVAVVAYVARLILAI 129
 GF+FVPSGISV +L +++ GLQ+V VI ++T+++L ++LIL++
 Sbjct: 70 GFLFVPSGISVMNSLGMQCYGLQIVLVILLATIILLGATGLFSQLILSL 119

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

40 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 138

A DNA sequence (GBSx0144) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 465> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 466>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 44

>>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.

45 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -12.21 Transmembrane 219 - 235 (208 - 241)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -11.94 Transmembrane 103 - 119 (99 - 133)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -5.57 Transmembrane 157 - 173 (154 - 175)
 50 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -1.70 Transmembrane 73 - 89 (73 - 89)

----- Final Results -----

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bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5883(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

5 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAB14850 GB:Z99118 similar to hypothetical proteins [Bacillus subtilis]
 Identities = 120/240 (50%), Positives = 159/240 (66%), Gaps = 10/240 (4%)

10 Query: 1 MELLKTPIFGICFSLILYTIGEHLEFKKSKGFFLLQPLFFAMVSGIVILWLMSKGLGTDVK 60
 ME +P FGI SL + IG LFKK+KGFFL PLF AMV GI L +
 Sbjct: 1 MESTIMSPYFGIVVSLAAPGIGITFLFKKTKGFFLFTPLFVAMVLGIAFL-----KIG 51

15 Query: 61 TFYTQAYKPGGDLIFWFLNPATIAFAVPLYKKNVVKYVWEILSSLVIGMIVSLILIVA 120
 F Y GG++I +FL PATIAFA+PLYK+ D +KKYW +I++S++ G I S+ ++
 Sbjct: 52 GFSYADYNNCGEIIKFFLEPATIAFAIPLYKQDKLKKYWWQIMASIIAGSICSVTIVYL 111

20 Query: 121 ISKMVGLSQVGIASMLPQAATTAAIALPITAAIGGNTAVTAMACILNAVIIYALGKKLVSF 180
 ++K + L + SMLPQAATTAAIALP++ IGG + +TA A I NAVI+YALG +
 Sbjct: 112 LAKGIHLDSAVMKSMLPQAATTAAIALPLSKGIGGSDITAFVIFNAVIVYALGALFLKV 171

Query: 181 FHLNDSKIGAGLGLGTSGHVTGAFALELGELQGAMAAIAVVVIGLVVDLVIPIFSLHIG 240
 F + + I GL LGTSGH +G A +E+GE++ AMA+IAVVV+G+V LVIP+F LIG
 Sbjct: 172 FKVK-NPISKGLALGTSGHALGVAVGIEMGEVEAAMASIAVVVGVVTVLVIPVVFQVLI 230

25 No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 139

A DNA sequence (GBSx0145) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 467> which encodes the amino acid
 30 sequence <SEQ ID 468>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 22
 >>> May be a lipoprotein

35 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

40 Identities = 508/542 (93%), Positives = 523/542 (95%)

Query: 1 MTKYLKYISFVALFLASIFLVACQNQNSQTKERTRKQRPKDELVVSMGAKLPHEFDPKDR 60
 ++KYLKY S + LFL + LVACQ Q QTKER RKQRPKDELVVSMGAKLPHEFDPKDR
 45 Sbjct: 3 VSKYLKYFSIITLFLTGLILVACQQQKPQTKERQRPKDELVVSMGAKLPHEFDPKDR 62

Query: 61 YGIHNEGNITHSTLLKRSPELDIKGELAKKYKISKDGLTWSFDLNDDFKFSNGEPVTADD 120
 YG+HNEGNITHSTLLKRSPELDIKGELAK Y +S+DGLTWSFDL+DDFKFSNGEPVTADD
 Sbjct: 63 YGVHNEGNITHSTLLKRSPELDIKGELAKTYHLSEDGLTWSFDLHDDFKFSNGEPVTADD 122

50 Query: 121 VKFTYDMLKADGKAWDLTFIKNVEVVGKNQVNIHLTEAHSTFTAQLTEIPIVPKKHYNDK 180
 VKFTYDMLKADGKAWDLTFIKNVEVVGKNQVNIHLTEAHSTFTAQLTEIPIVPKKHYNDK
 Sbjct: 123 VKFTYDMLKADGKAWDLTFIKNVEVVGKNQVNIHLTEAHSTFTAQLTEIPIVPKKHYNDK 182

55 Query: 181 YKSNPIGSGPYMVKEYKAGEQAI FVRNPYWHGKKPYFKKWTWVLLDENTALAALESGDVD 240
 YKSNPIGSGPYMVKEYKAGEQAI FVRNPYWHGKKPYFKKWTWVLLDENTALAALESGDVD
 Sbjct: 183 YKSNPIGSGPYMVKEYKAGEQAI FVRNPYWHGKKPYFKKWTWVLLDENTALAALESGDVD 242

Query: 241 MIYATPELASKKVKGTRLLDIASNDVRGLSLPYVKGKVKNSEPDGYPVGNVDVTS DPAIRK 300
 MIYATPELA KKVKGTRLLDI SNDVRGLSLPYVKGKV+ +SEPDGYPVGNVDVTS DPAIRK

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Sbjct: 243 MIYATPELADKKVKGTRLLDIPSNVRLSLPYVKKGVITDSPDGYFVGNDVTSDBAIRK 302

Query: 301 ALTIGLNRQKVLDTVLNGYGKPAYSIIIDRTPFWNPKTAIDNKVAKAKQLLTKAGWKEQA 360
 ALTIGLNRQKVLDTVLNGYGKPAYSIIID+TPFWNPKTAIDNKVAKAKQLLTKAGWKEQA

5 Sbjct: 303 ALTIGLNRQKVLDTVLNGYGKPAYSIIIDKTPFWNPKTAIDNKVAKAKQLLTKAGWKEQA 362

Query: 361 DGSRRKGNLKSEFDLYPTNDQLRANLAVEVAEQAKALGITIKLKASNWDEMATKSHDSA 420
 DGSRRKG+L + FDLYPTNDQLRANLAVEVAEQAKALGITIKLKASNWDEMATKSHDSA

10 Sbjct: 363 DGSRRKGDLDAAFDLYPTNDQLRANLAVEVAEQAKALGITIKLKASNWDEMATKSHDSA 422

Query: 421 LLYAGGRHHAQQFYESHYPFLAGKGTNITFYNNPTVTKYLDKAMTSPDLKANKYWKLA 480
 LLYAGGRHHAQQFYESH+PSLAGKGTNITFYNNPTVTKYLDKAMTSSDLKANEYWKLA

15 Sbjct: 423 LLYAGGRHHAQQFYESHHPFLAGKGTNITFYNNPTVTKYLDKAMTSSDLKANEYWKLA 482

Query: 481 QWDGKTGASTLGDLPNVWLVSLNHTYIGDKRINVKGQGVHSHGHWSLLTNIAEWTWDES 540
 QWDGKTGASTLGDLPNVWLVSLNHTYIGDKRINVKGQGVHSHGHWSLLTNIAEWTWDES

20 Sbjct: 483 QWDGKTGASTLGDLPNVWLVSLNHTYIGDKRINVKGQGVHSHGHWSLLTNIAEWTWDES 542

Query: 541 AK 542
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Sbjct: 543 TK 544

There is also homology to SEQ ID 60.

25 A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8501> and protein <SEQ ID 8502> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

30 Lipop: Possible site: 22 Crend: 5
 McG: Discrim Score: 10.46
 GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -1.29
 Possible site: 22
 >>> May be a lipoprotein
 ALOM program count: 0 value: 7.27 threshold: 0.0
 PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 7.27 386
 modified ALOM score: -1.95

35 *** Reasoning Step: 3

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 40 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

SEQ ID 8502 (GBS106) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 18 (lane 3; MW 61kDa).

45 The GBS106-His fusion product was purified (Figure 194, lane 2) and used to immunise mice. The resulting antiserum was used for Western blot (Figure 255A), FACS (Figure 255B), and in the *in vivo* passive protection assay (Table III). These tests confirm that the protein is immunoaccessible on GBS bacteria and that it is an effective protective immunogen.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

50 Example 140

A DNA sequence (GBSx0146) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 469> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 470>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

55 Possible site: 41
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

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----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.4862(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

10 Example 141

A DNA sequence (GBSx0147) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 471> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 472>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 19

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

15 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -7.27 Transmembrane 252 - 268 (249 - 275)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -5.73 Transmembrane 67 - 83 (62 - 90)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -5.26 Transmembrane 107 - 123 (104 - 134)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -3.77 Transmembrane 153 - 169 (152 - 170)

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----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.3909(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

25 A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9295> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9296> was also identified.

The protein differs from U78968 at the N-terminus:

Query: 1 MASVNYDTSITPVQYKAIHAHHYGLDKPAPVQYFIWLKNFIQGHLSLVYRQPVIDIIRS 60
 MASVNYDTSITP QYKAIHAHHYGLDKPA VQYFIWLKN IQG IGTSLVYRQPV DIIRS
 30 Sbjct: 39 MASVNYDTSITPAQYKAIHAHHYGLDKPALVQYFIWLKNVIQDGLTSLVYRQPVSDIIRS 98

There is also homology to SEQ ID 64.

A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8471> and protein <SEQ ID 8472> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

35 Lipop: Possible site: -1 Crend: 10
 McG: Discrim Score: 3.72
 GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -5.37
 Possible site: 40
 >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
 40 ALOM program count: 5 value: -7.27 threshold: 0.0
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -7.27 Transmembrane 290 - 306 (287 - 313)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -5.89 Transmembrane 12 - 28 (11 - 33)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -5.73 Transmembrane 105 - 121 (100 - 128)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -5.26 Transmembrane 145 - 161 (142 - 172)
 45 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -3.77 Transmembrane 191 - 207 (190 - 208)
 PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 2.97 245
 modified ALOM score: 1.95

50

*** Reasoning Step: 3

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.3909(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

SEQ ID 8472 (GBS436) was expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 173 (lane 9; MW 54kDa).

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 142

A DNA sequence (GBSx0148) was identified in *S.galactiae* <SEQ ID 473> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 474>. This protein is predicted to be transmembrane transport protein DppC (oppC). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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10   Possible site: 39
    >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.
        INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -8.28    Transmembrane    77 - 93 ( 68 - 101)
        INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -7.80    Transmembrane    182 - 198 ( 180 - 204)
        INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -7.06    Transmembrane    112 - 128 ( 104 - 132)
15   INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -5.10    Transmembrane    239 - 255 ( 235 - 258)

    ----- Final Results -----
        bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4312(Affirmative) < succ>
        bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
20   bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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There is homology to SEQ ID 68.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 143

25 A DNA sequence (GBSx0149) was identified in *S.galactiae* <SEQ ID 475> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 476>. This protein is predicted to be ATPase protein DppD. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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    Possible site: 59
    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

30   ----- Final Results -----
        bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1957(Affirmative) < succ>
        bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
        bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
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The protein differs from U78968 at the C-terminus:

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    Query: 241 QTEFARSLWRS LPQQEFLKGVTHDLRG 267
           QTEFAR LWR+LPQQ+FLKGVTHDLRG
    Sbjct: 241 QTEFARRLWRTL PQQDFLKGVTHDLRG 267
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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 477> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 478>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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    Possible site: 59
    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

45   ----- Final Results -----
        bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1957(Affirmative) < succ>
        bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
        bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 255/267 (95%), Positives = 262/267 (97%)

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5  Query: 1  MTETLLSIKDLSTFTQYGRFLKPFQSTPIQALNLEIKKGELLAIIGASGSGKSLAHAI 60
    Sbjct: 1  MTETLLSIKDLSTFTQYGRFLKPFQSTPIQALNLE+KKGELLAIIGASGSGKSLAHAI 60

10 Query: 61  MDILPKNASVTGDMIYRGQSLNSKRIKQLRGKDITLIQSVNYLDPSTKVKHQVRLGISE 120
    Sbjct: 61  MDILPKNA+VTGDMIYRGQSL SKRIKQLRGK++TLIQSVNYLDPS KVKHQVRLGISE 120

15 Query: 121 NSKATQEGFLFQQFGLKESDGDLYPFQLSGGMLRRVLFITTCISDKVSLIIADEPTPGLHPD 180
    Sbjct: 121 NAKATQEGFLFQQFGLKESDGDLYPFQLSGGMLRRVLFITTCISDTVSLIIADEPTPGLHPD 180

20 Query: 181 ALQMVLQQLRSFADKGISVIFITHDIVAASQIADRITIFKEGKAJETAPASFFSGNGEQL 240
    Sbjct: 181 ALQMVLQQLRSFADKGISVIFITHDIVAASQIADRITIFKEGKAJETAPASFFSGGGEQL 240

25 Query: 241 QTEFARSLWRSLLPQQEFLKGVTHDLRG 267
    Sbjct: 241 QTEFAR LWR+LPQQ+FLKGVTHDLRG
    Sbjct: 241 QTEFARRLWRTLPPQDFLKGVTHDLRG 267

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 144

A DNA sequence (GBSx0150) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 479> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 480>. This protein is predicted to be ATPase protein DppE. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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30  Possible site: 41
    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

    ----- Final Results -----
35      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3783(Affirmative) < succ>
        bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
        bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 481> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 482>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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40  Possible site: 41
    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

    ----- Final Results -----
45      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3383(Affirmative) < succ>
        bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
        bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 188/205 (91%), Positives = 197/205 (95%)

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50  Query: 1  MTLEAKKLGfYHKKDQWLfKEINLEVAPGQVLGIFGQSGCGKTSLSRVLAGFLHPKSGEV 60
    Sbjct: 1  MTLEAKKLGfYHKKDQWLfKEI+LEVAPGQ+LGIFGQSGCGKTSLSRVLAGFL PKSGEV 60

55  Query: 61  LVDGSLNLPsKAfRPVQLIQQHPEKTMNPLWPMKKSLEEAyYPSRDLLDAFGIQEKWLNRR 120
    Sbjct: 61  LVDGS+LP+KAfRPVQLIQQHPE+TMNPLWPMKKSLEEAyYPS+DL DAFGIQEKWL RR 120
    Sbjct: 61  LVDGSHLPNKAfRPVQLIQQHPEQTMNPLWPMKKSLEEAyYPSQDLRDAFGIQEKWLKRR 120

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Query: 121 PSELGGELQRFISIVRSLHPETKYLIADMTTMLDSITQASVWKSLEIVKDRNLGLIVI 180
 PSELGGELQRFISIVRSLHPETKYLIADMTTMLDSITQASVWKSLEIVKDRNLGLI+I
 Sbjct: 121 PSELGGELQRFISIVRSLHPETKYLIADMTTMLDSITQASVWKSLEIVKDRNLGLIII 180

5 Query: 181 SHDFAMLEKLCNQCMIENRIVSF 205
 SH+F MLEKLC+ CYMIEENR F
 Sbjct: 181 SHEFDMLEKLCDACYMIEENRTQLF 205

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for
 10 vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 145

A DNA sequence (GBSx0151) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 483> which encodes the amino acid
 sequence <SEQ ID 484>. This protein is predicted to be PTS system, trehalose-specific IIBC component
 (treB). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

15 Possible site: 59
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -10.14	Transmembrane	468 - 484 (462 - 489)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -8.23	Transmembrane	279 - 295 (275 - 306)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -6.05	Transmembrane	112 - 128 (105 - 130)
20 INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -3.35	Transmembrane	204 - 220 (203 - 222)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -1.75	Transmembrane	255 - 271 (255 - 271)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -1.54	Transmembrane	327 - 343 (326 - 344)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -0.37	Transmembrane	422 - 438 (422 - 438)
25 INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -0.06	Transmembrane	304 - 320 (304 - 320)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane	---	Certainty=0.5055(Affirmative)	< succ>
bacterial outside	---	Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear)	< succ>
bacterial cytoplasm	---	Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear)	< succ>

30

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAF94072 GB:AE004175 PTS system, trehalose-specific IIBC
 component [Vibrio cholerae]
 Identities = 225/484 (46%), Positives = 318/484 (65%), Gaps = 28/484 (5%)

35 Query: 5 KHDAKALLEAIGGKENISAVTHCATRMRFLVNDSSKAKVKVIEELPSVKGFTTNAGQFQV 64
 K D L+E +GG+ NI++VTHC TR+RFVLN +A +E L VKG FTNAGQFQV
 Sbjct: 10 KQDVTRLIELVGGESNTIASVTHCLTRLRFVLNQPEQADKAGLEALSMVKGCFNTNAGQFQV 69

40 Query: 65 IIGNDVPIFYNAFVAVSGIEGVSKEAASAAQKNQNPLOVLTMLAIFTPPIIPAIIVGG 124
 +IG +V Y + +G + VSK+ AK AA++N N L+R ++ LAEIF P++PAII GG
 Sbjct: 70 VIGTEVDQVYKMLEQTKGQAVSKDDAKVAARQNMNVLERGISHLAIFVPLLPAAITGG 129

45 Query: 125 LILGFRNILDVAPFEFLGQKVVDGVRQVDSSGHPWNTLVVDVSTFWSGVDSFLWLPGEAI 184
 LILGFRN++ + ++ DG TL ++S FW+ V +FLWL GEAI
 Sbjct: 130 LILGFRNVIGDI-----RMFDG-----KTLTEISQFWASVHAFLWLIGRAI 170

Query: 185 FHFLPVGIVWSVTRKMGTTQILGIVLGICLVSPQLLNAYSVASTSAAADIAKNWSWNFGYF 244
 F FLVPG+ WS +K+G T ILGI LG+ LVSPQL+NAY + W+FG F
 50 Sbjct: 171 FFFLPVGVCWSTVKKLGCTPILGITLVSPQLMNAYLIGKEVPE-----VWDFGLF 224

Query: 245 TVQKIGYQAQVIPALLAGLSLSYLEIFWRKHIPVVSIMFVFPFLSLVPAIILAHTVLGP 304
 ++K+GYQAQVIPA+LAG++L+++E R+ +P + ++ VPF+S++ +++LAH +GP
 Sbjct: 225 AIEKVGYYQAQVIPAIIAGVALAFIENNLRRVVPVSYLYLVVVPFVSIIVSVVLAHAFIGPF 284

55 Query: 305 GWTLGKWIISAIVLIGLTGPVKWLFQALFALYAPFVITGLHHMTNAIDTQLIADTKTHTT 364
 G +G ++ +TG + +FG +YAP VITG+HH TNA+D QL+ + T
 Sbjct: 285 GRVIGDGVAFAAKAAMTGFVAVIGSTLFGFMYAPLVITGIHHTTNAVLDQLMQE--LGGT 342

60 Query: 365 GLWPMIALSNIAQGSAYLAYFYMHHRHDEKEAQISLPAAISAYLGVTPEALFGVNVKYIYP 424
 +WP+IALSNIAQ SAV+ + + + E IS+PAAISAYLGVTPEA++G+N+KY +P

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Sbjct: 343 PIWPLIALSNIAQASAVVGIIIIISK-KQGERDISVPAAISAYLGVTEPAMYGINLKYKFP 401

Query: 425 FVAGMIGSSVAGLLATTFNVQANSIGVGGLPGFLSINVKYMGYFFICMAVAIFIPFLTL 484
 ++ MIGS++A + + V AN IGVGGLPG LSI ++ + + M +AI +P LTL

Sbjct: 402 MLSAMIGSALAAAVCGSAGVMANGIGVGGLPGILSIQPQFWSIYLVAMLIAILVPAALTL 461

Query: 485 FFKK 488

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Sbjct: 462 LMYK 465

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 485> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 486>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 59

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -9.61	Transmembrane	466 - 482 (457 - 488)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -8.01	Transmembrane	279 - 295 (275 - 306)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -6.05	Transmembrane	112 - 128 (105 - 130)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -3.35	Transmembrane	204 - 220 (203 - 222)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -3.13	Transmembrane	255 - 271 (255 - 272)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -2.07	Transmembrane	327 - 343 (325 - 344)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -0.59	Transmembrane	422 - 438 (422 - 438)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4843(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

>GP:AAF94072 GB:AE004175 PTS system, trehalose-specific IIBC

component [Vibrio cholerae]

Identities = 231/484 (47%), Positives = 322/484 (65%), Gaps = 28/484 (5%)

Query: 5 EQDAKSLITAIGGKENIKVVTTHCATRMRFVLNDNNKANVKEIEKISVVKCTFTNAGQFQV 64
 +QD L+ +GG+ NI VTHC TR+RFVLN +A+ +E +S+VKG FTNAGQFQV

Sbjct: 10 KQDVTRLIELVGGESNIASVTHCLTRLRFVLNQPEQADKAGLEALSMVKGCTFTNAGQFQV 69

Query: 65 IIGNDVPVFYNDFTAVSSIEGVSKAAKSAKSNQNALQRMIMLAEIFTPPIIPAIIVGG 124
 +IG +V Y + + VSK+ AK AA+ N N L+R ++ LAEIF P++PAII GG

Sbjct: 70 VIGTEVDQVYKMLLEQTGKQAVSKDDAKVAARQNMNVLERGISHLAEIFVPLLPALITGG 129

Query: 125 LILGFRNILESVPFEFLGQQVEKGLVFDAGDPVWNTIVRVSPFWSGVNHFLLWLPGEAI 184
 LILGFRN++ + +FD T+ +S FW+ V+ FLWL GEAI

Sbjct: 130 LILGFRNVIGDI-----RMFDG-----KTLTEISQFVASVHAFLLWLGAI 170

Query: 185 FHFLPVGITWSVTRKMGITQILGIVLGICLVSPQLLNAYAVAGTPAAEIAKNWVWDFGFF 244

F FLPGV+ WS +K+G T ILGI LG+ LVSPQL+NAY + G E VWDFG F

Sbjct: 171 FFFFLPVGVCWSTVKLGGTPIILGITLGVTLVSPQLMNAYLI-GKEVPE-----VWDFGLF 224

Query: 245 TINRIGYQAQVIPALLAGLSLAYLEIFWRKRIPEVVSIMIFVPFLSLIPALILAHTVLGPI 304
 I ++GYQAQVIPA+LAG++LA++E R+ +P + ++ VPF+S+I +++LAH +GP

Sbjct: 225 AIEKVGYYQAQVIPAIIAGVALAFIENNLRRVPSYLYLVVVPFVSIIVSVVLAHAFIGPF 284

Query: 305 GWTIGKGISFVVLGALTGFPVKWLFGAIFGALYAPLVITGLHHMNAIDTQLIADTATRTT 364
 G IG G++F A +TG + +FG +YAPLVITG+HH TNA+D QL+ + T

Sbjct: 285 GRVIGDGVAFAAKAAMTGDFAVIGSTLFGFMYAPLVITGIHHTTNAVDLQLMQELG--GT 342

Query: 365 GLWPMIALSNIAQGSAYFAYLYLMNRHEEREAEISLPAAISAYLGVTEPALFGVNVKYVYP 424
 +WP+IALSNIAQ SAV +++++ ++ E +IS+PAISAYLGVTEPA++G+N+KY +P

Sbjct: 343 PIWPLIALSNIAQASAVVGIIIIISK-KQGERDISVPAAISAYLGVTEPAMYGINLKYKFP 401

Query: 425 FVAGMIGSGIAGLLSTTFNVQANSIGVGGLPGFMAINVKYMIPFFICMAVAIVPMFLTF 484
 ++ MIGS +A + + V AN IGVGGLPG ++I ++ + + M +AI+VP LT

Sbjct: 402 MLSAMIGSALAAAVCGSAGVMANGIGVGGLPGILSIQPQFWSIYLVAMLIAILVPAALTL 461

Query: 485 FFRK 488

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Sbjct: 462 LMYK 465

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

5 Identities = 501/675 (74%), Positives = 573/675 (84%), Gaps = 2/675 (0%)

Query: 1 MEQFKHDAKALLEAIGGKENISAVTHCATRMRFVLNDSSKAKVKVIEELPSVKGTFTNAG 60
M +F+ DAK+LL AIGGKENI VTHCATRMRFVLND++KA VK IE++ VKGTFTNAG

10 Sbjct: 1 MGKFEQDAKSLLLTAIGGKENIKVTVTHCATRMRFVLNDNNKANVKEIEKISVVKGTFTNAG 60

Query: 61 QFQVIIGNDVPFIYNAFVAVSGIEGVSKEAAKSAAQKNQNPQRVLTMLAEIFTPIIPAI 120
QFQVIIGNDVP+FYN F AVS IEGVSKEAAKSAA+ NQN LQRV+TMLAEIFTPIIPAI

15 Sbjct: 61 QFQVIIGNDVPVFNDFTAVSSIEGVSKEAAKSAAKSNQNALQRVMTMLAEIFTPIIPAI 120

Query: 121 IVGGILGFRNILDVAPFEFLGQKVVVDGVRQVDSSGHPINWTLVDVSTFWSGVDSFLWLP 180
IVGGILGFRNIL++VPFEFLGQ+V G D++G P+WNT+V VS FWSGV+ FLWLP

20 Sbjct: 121 IVGGILGFRNILESVPFEFLGQVEKGLVFDAGDPVWNTIVRVSPFWSGVNHFLLWLP 180

Query: 181 GEAFPHFLPVGIVWSVTRKMGTTQILGIVLGICLVSPQLLNAYSVAASIAADIAKNWSWN 240
GEAFPHFLPVG I WSVTRKMGTTQILGIVLGICLVSPQLLNAY+VA T AA+IAKNW W+

25 Sbjct: 181 GEAFPHFLPVGITWSVTRKMGTTQILGIVLGICLVSPQLLNAYAVAGTPAAEIAKNWVWD 240

Query: 241 FGYFTVQKIGYQAQVIPALLAGLSLSYLEIFWRKHIPEVVSIMIFVFFLSLVPAILAHTV 300
FG+FT+ +IGYQAQVIPALLAGLSL+YLEIFWRK IPEVVSIMIFVFFLSL+PA+ILAHTV

30 Sbjct: 241 FGFFITINRIGYQAQVIPALLAGLSLAYLEIFWRKRIPEVVSIMIFVFFLSLIPAILAHTV 300

Query: 301 LGPIGWTLGKWSIAIVLIGLTGPVKWLFGAIFGALYAPFVITGLHMTNAIDTQLIADTK 360
LGPIGWT+GK IS +VL GLTGPVKWLFGAIFGALYAP VITGLHMTNAIDTQLIADT

35 Sbjct: 301 LGPIGWTIGKGISFVVLGALTGPVKWLFGAIFGALYAPLVITGLHMTNAIDTQLIADTA 360

Query: 361 THTTGLWPMIALSNIAQGSAYLAYFMRHDEKEAQISLPAAISAYLGVTPEPALFGVNVK 420
T TTGLWPMIALSNIAQGSAY AYY M+RH+E+EA+ISLPAAISAYLGVTPEPALFGVNVK

40 Sbjct: 361 TRTTGLWPMIALSNIAQGSAYFAYILMNRHEEREAEISLPAAISAYLGVTPEPALFGVNVK 420

Query: 421 YIYPFVAGMIGSSVAGLLATTFNVQANSIGVGGLPGFLSINVKMGYFFICMAVAIFLPL 480
Y+YYPFVAGMIGS +AGLL+TTFNVQANSIGVGGLPGF++INVKYM FFICMAVAI +P+

45 Sbjct: 421 YVYPFVAGMIGSGIAGLLSTTFNVQANSIGVGGLPGFMAINVKYIMFFICMAVAIVVPM 480

Query: 481 FLTLFFFKSGILTKTEEEKLVDAVIASTTETKSAREKAVVSGTKLSVVSPLSGLAKPLD 540
FLT FF+KS I+TKTE+E +P+ +S +A K + GT +++ SPL+G K L

50 Sbjct: 481 FLTFFFRKSHIMTKTEDEAKLPETPV-SDAPVATAPHK-TMQGTVITLTSPLTGEVKALS 538

Query: 541 QASDPVFSQGMKGVIDPSDGELVSPVDATVSVLFPTKHAIGLLTSEGVEFLIHIGMD 600
+A DVPF+QG+MG+G ++ P++G LV+P DA VSVLFPTKHAI L+T+EG+E L+HIGMD

55 Sbjct: 539 EAVDPVFAQGVMGQGALLQPTGVLVAPCDAEVSVLFPKHAICLVTTGLELLMHIGMD 598

Query: 601 TVNLEGKGFTSHVAQGDIVKVGDKLITFDIPMIKEGYIVETPILITNQQEFREPELIDL 660
TVNL+G+GF + V QGD VK G LI FDI I E GY ETP+++TNQ F L

60 Sbjct: 599 TVNLGQGFEALVKQGDQVKAGQTLIQFDIAAISEAGYATETPLVVTNQDVFTVIVEGSL 658

Query: 661 PKQIKRGQALMVAKK 675
P+QIK L VA K

Sbjct: 659 PRQIKVNDKLAVALK 673

55 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 146

A DNA sequence (GBSx0152) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 487> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 488>. This protein is predicted to be dextran glucosidase DexS (treC). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 48

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>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

5 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3493(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

10 >GP:AAB65079 GB:U35633 dextran glucosidase DexS [Streptococcus suis]
 Identities = 383/547 (70%), Positives = 439/547 (80%), Gaps = 13/547 (2%)

Query: 1 MTIDKRKVYQIYPKSYKDTTGNGVGDRLGIIIEKLPYLAELGIDMVWLNPFYPSQORDNG 60
 Sbjct: 1 MTIDKRKVYQIYPKSYKDTTGNGVGDRLGIIIEKLPYL ELGIDM+WLNPFYPSQORDNG 60

15 Query: 61 YDISDYTAINPDFGTMDDFEEMIEVGRQYRIDFMLDMVLNHCSEHEWFFKALAGDRYYQ 120
 YDISDYTA+NPDPGTM DFEEM+ VG++ I+FMLDMVLNHCSEHEWF+KAL+GD+YYQ
 Sbjct: 61 YDISDYTAVNPDPGTMADFEEMVTVGKELGIEFMLDMVLNHCSTDHEWFQKALSGDQYYQ 120

20 Query: 121 DFFILRDNPFDWVSKFGGNAWAPFGDTGKYLLHLFDITQADLNWRNADVRKELFKVVNFW 180
 DFFILRD PTDWVSKFGGNAWAPFGDTGKYLLHLFD+TQADLNWRN +R+ELFKVVNFW
 Sbjct: 121 DFFILRDQPTDWVSKFGGNAWAPFGDTGKYLLHLFDVTQADLNWRNPHIREELFKVVNFW 180

25 Query: 181 RDKGVKGRFDVINLIGKDEILENCPIINDGKPAYTDRPITHDYLKMLNNAFSGQDDSFMT 240
 +DKGVKGRFDVINLIGKDE E+CPINDGKPAYTDRPITHDYLKM+NNA+FG + FMT
 Sbjct: 181 KDKGVKGRFDVINLIGKDEAREDCPIINDGKPAYTDRPITHDYLKMNNATFGSEKGFMT 240

30 Query: 241 VGEMSTTIANCILYTAPEREEELSMFNFHHLKVDYKDGQKWTIMAFDFPALRDLFHSWG 300
 VGEMSTTI NCILYTAPER+ELSMFNFHHLKVDYKDGQKWTIM FDF L+ LFH+WG
 Sbjct: 241 VGEMSATTIENCILYTAPERKELSMFNFHHLKVDYKDGQKWTIMDFDFEELKHLFHTWG 300

35 Query: 301 EGMSEGNWGNALFYNNHDQPRALNRFVDVFRFRNEGATMLAASIHLSRGTFPIYMGEIG 360
 E MS GNGWGNALFYNNHDQPRALNRF+DV+ FR EGATMLAASIHLSRG
 Sbjct: 301 EEMSVGNWGNALFYNNHDQPRALNRFIDVENFRKEGATMLAASIHLSRGNNLTST----- 355

Query: 361 MLDPDYSSMDYDIESLNAYQIMLDEGKSQEEAFSIIIRAKSRDNSRVPMQWDDS----- 415
 + SS + + + + S + + R SR + P+
 Sbjct: 356 WVRVSSTLTITIAWTTTWTWSLSMPTRCSWTKVTRLR-PSRLSRPSPVTIPAPRCNGT 414

40 Query: 416 --TNAGFSEGAPWLKVGKSYKEINVAKETGLIIFTFYQELIRLRKQLPIADGNYKAAPK 473
 T + PWLK GKS+ INV +EKTG IFTFY+ LRK+LP+I++G+YKAA+K
 Sbjct: 415 LLTMOASQQATPWLKAGKSYQTINVEQKGTPIFTFYKRTPLRKEPLISEGDYKAAAYK 474

45 Query: 474 DNEKVYAFAERHLDEKLLVLNNFFAEKVKIKLPENYLQGVLLSNYKDVTLDETDTLQPY 533
 D++KVYAFAER L+ EKLLVLNNFFAE+V++ L ++Y GQVL+SNY D L + + L+PY
 Sbjct: 475 DSQKVYAFAERLLNDEKLLVLNNFFAEVEELDLADYAHGQVLISNYPDNKLGKKIILKPY 534

Query: 534 QTLAILV 540
 Q LAI V
 50 Sbjct: 535 QALAIQV 541

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 489> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 490>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 56

55 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

60 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3631(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 431/539 (79%), Positives = 486/539 (89%)

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Query: 1 MTIDKRVVYQIYPKSYKDTTGNGVGDLRGIIIEKLPYLAELGIDMVWLNPFYPSQORDNG 60
 Sbjct: 1 MTIDKRVVYQIYPKSYKDTTGNGVGDL GII+KLPYL ELGIDM+WLNPFYPSQORDNG 60

5 Query: 61 YDISDYTAINPDFGTMDDFEEMIEVGRQYRIDFMLDMVLNHCSEHEWFKKALAGDRYYQ 120
 YD+SDYTA+NPDFGTMD DFE +++ ++++I+ MLDMLNHCSE+HEWF+KALAGD YYQ
 Sbjct: 61 YDVSDYTAVNPDFGTMDADFENLVKAAKEHQIELMLDMVLNHCSTDEHWFQKALAGDPYYQ 120

10 Query: 121 DFFILRDNPDTWVSKFGGNAWAPFGDTGKYLLHFLDITQADLNWRNADVRKELFKVNVFW 180
 DFFILRD PTDWVSKFGGNAWAPFGDTGKYLLHFLD+TQADLNWRN VR+EL KVVNVFW
 Sbjct: 121 DFFILRDQPTDWVSKFGGNAWAPFGDTGKYLLHFLDVTQADLNWRNPHVREELAKVNVFW 180

15 Query: 181 RDKGVKGFRFDVINLIGKDEILENCPINDGKPAYTDRPITHDYLMNNASFGQDDSFMT 240
 RDKGVKGFRFDVINLIGKDE L +CP+NDGKPAYTDRPITH YL LN ASFGQDDSFMT
 Sbjct: 181 RDKGVKGFRFDVINLIGKDEELVDCPVNDGKPAYTDRPITHYTLHDLNQASFGQDDSFMT 240

20 Query: 241 VGEMSSTTIANCILYTAPEREEELSMAFNHHLKVDYKDGQKWTIMAFDFPALRDLFHSWG 300
 VGEMSS+TTI NC+LYTAPEREEELSMAFNHHLKVDY++GQKWTIMAFDF ALRDLFH+WG
 Sbjct: 241 VGEMSSATTIDNCLLYTAPEREEELSMAFNHHLKVDYENGQKWTIMAFDFPALRDLFHAWG 300

25 Query: 301 EGMSEGNWGNALFYNNHDQPRALNRFVDVVKRFRNEGATMLAASIHLSRGTPYIYMGEIEG 360
 EGMS+GNWGNALFYNNHDQPRALNRFVDV FRNEGATMLAASIHLSRGTPYIYMGEIEG
 Sbjct: 301 EGMSQGNWGNALFYNNHDQPRALNRFVDVTHFRNEGATMLAASIHLSRGTPYIYMGEIEG 360

30 Query: 421 SEGAPWLKVGKSYKEINVAKETGLIFTFYQELIRLRKQLPIIADGNKYAAFKDNEKVYA 480
 + G PWL+VGKSY++INV EK G IF FYQ LI LRK+LPIIA+G+Y+AAFKD++ VYA
 Sbjct: 421 TTGKPLWLVGKSYRDIINVETEKEGRIFPFYQRLIALRKELPIIAEGDYRAAFKDSQAVYA 480

35 Query: 481 FERHLDKEKLLVLNFFAEKVKIKLPENYLQGVLLSNYKDVTLDETQVTLQPYQTLAIL 539
 FERHL + LLVLN+F+A++V++LP Y GQVL+SNY+ V++ E V L+PYQTLAIL
 Sbjct: 481 FERHLDQCLLVNHFYADEVELELPPRYQHGVLLSNYKDVTLDETQVTLQPYQTLAIL 539

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 147

40 A DNA sequence (GBSx0153) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 491> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 492>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 29
 >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -3.03 Transmembrane 8 - 24 (8 - 25)

45 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.2211(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 148

A DNA sequence (GBSx0154) was identified in *S. agalactiae* <SEQ ID 493> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 494>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 57

5 >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.

----- Final Results -----

10 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.3000(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:BAB03939 GB:AP001507 unknown conserved protein [Bacillus halodurans]
Identities = 190/639 (29%), Positives = 331/639 (51%), Gaps = 34/639 (5%)

15 Query: 6 TVVIMLVFLARKNLSLYELTVQKFSIKVIIIEQINYLNSFLAKNHLPAIAHSAGRYQLLG 65
T ++ + AR L + ELT + S + + + +NS+L + L A+ + L+
Sbjct: 8 TFILTQLLHARSYLPIQELTQKLNVSRRTVYNDLEKINSWLEEQGLKAV-YKVRSQLIL 66

20 Query: 66 DEKEHDKI---VSLLEAEQFYLTQEEERVCLIIYLSFCRREFVSNVHYQDFLKVSKNTTSL 122
DE+ ++I + L++ + +ER + +Y R E + H D VS+NTT+
Sbjct: 67 DERAKEEIPTKLRSLKSWHYEYSAQERKAWVVIYLLTRLEPLFLEHLMDRTCVSRNTTID 126

25 Query: 123 DIKMLRSKLAKRGISLTYTRAKGYSLVGDEMDKHQVAFQMITQLLE-----SPIGFW 174
DIK L+ +L ++L + R GY++ GDE DK + ++Q L SPI +
Sbjct: 127 DIKCLKDELNNFHLEFERKDGTYTISGDETDKRRKALVYYLSQALPQQNWETELSPIRIF 186

30 Query: 175 SLNYILSSWKFALSIEKLEKTVVEYFYEFQLSPIQ---DRLEKSLYFIILILCRYQRSVD 231
+ F + E+L+K + ES ++ IQ D L +L + R +
Sbjct: 187 LRTKRDNGRIFTI--EELQKVYDVISESEKVLKIQYTDVHLHSLSLRFLFMKRVAKG-- 242

35 Query: 232 RVLQGSPIVSEQLK-----ELTTIIVTNLSQDISLSKPLDQKEKDYITLILSGCF----- 281
+ ++ P+ + LK E ++ L Q + P D++ T ILS
Sbjct: 243 KFIKVHPLEKQVLKGTKEYEAAKVMSEKLEQAFGVHYP-DEEVLYLTTHILSSKINYANG 301

40 Query: 282 EGEGTKDDDDFFEALAKAIVDEMETVSLNFSNKEELLQGLKRHIIPAYFRLKYGLTGDGSG 341
E E K+ + ++V++ + + F KE L + L HI PA++R+KYGL ++
Sbjct: 302 BIESRKESQELTHIVTSMVNDPQKYACVVFEKEELLEKNLFFHIKPAFYRIKYGLEVENN 361

45 Query: 342 YTQNIKEHYSDLFLLVKKALRPLEEQVGL-IPDSEISYFVIHFGGYLRQSGGTQSMSYKA 400
++IK Y +LFL +K + LE VG + D+E+++ +HF G++R+ G + KA
Sbjct: 362 IAESIKTSYPELFLTRKVVHYLERYVGKSVNDNEVAFITMHPVGMRRREGTIPTKRKKA 421

50 Query: 401 LILCPNGVSSSLVIKEKLRGLFPQIHFRVSKIEQLKLIDNQTYDMVFSTIFVETKKPNY 460
LI+C NGV +S +K +L GLFP + + I + + + ++ +T E P +
Sbjct: 422 LIVCANGVGTSQLKNQLEGLFPVAVDIIKTCSIREYEKTPVEVDFTSTTSIPEKNVPIF 481

55 Query: 461 LVSLMMT-ABQVQQLKELVISDFPKACLDLDFQLDQLIATIKKYAHVHCHEELKLALRTMV 519
+V+ ++T E+ + LK + ++ + + ++ L+ IK++ +V E+ L LR
Sbjct: 482 IVNPILTETEKERLLKSVHVALDELGAMKGYISIEGLMDVIKRGNVDDKALYQDLRRFF 541

60 Query: 520 KQD--ILRKDVRPLLHQLITEETYQTSSEQMNWKEAIRLAAPLLASGKITESYPEAMIE 577
Q I K +P L+QL+TE+ Q + +W+EAI+LAAPLL G +TESY + MI+
Sbjct: 542 TOPTPIGPKQEKPDNLNQLLTEDMIQLREQVTHWQEIQLAAKPLLLKGMVTSYVKKMK 601

Query: 578 KVEEFGPFINLGKGTAIAPHARPEDGVNSVGMSMLVLEQP 616
+E+FGP++ + AIPHA+PEDGV +GMS+L L++P
Sbjct: 602 NIEKFGPYMIIAPHFAIPHAKPEDGVRQLGMSLLWLKPP 640

60 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S. pyogenes* <SEQ ID 495> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 496>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 57 or 61

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

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INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.64 Transmembrane 123 - 139 (123 - 139)

----- Final Results -----

5 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1256(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 187/624 (29%), Positives = 327/624 (51%), Gaps = 20/624 (3%)

10 Query: 1 MVDNKTVMIMLVFLARKNLSLYELTVQTKFSIKVIIIEQINYLNSFLAKNHLPAIAHSAGR 60
M+ ++ + +F K SL K S + I+ I +N L+ LP IA
Sbjct: 35 MLSHELIRNYQLFSKYKGHSLEAFESILKASKRHILADIAKINDTSLYQLPLIALDR-- 92

15 Query: 61 YQLL--GDEKEHDKIVSLLEAEQFYLTQEERVCLIIYLSFCRREFVSNVHYQDFLKVSKN 118
QL+ D E D + +L YL Q+ER+ +I +Y +EF+S H + L++S+N
Sbjct: 93 -QLVYPPDLTEKDLLNRMLPTLDDYLFQDERLDMIIIIYIMMAKEFISINHLESLLRLSRN 151

20 Query: 119 TTLSDIKMLRSKLAKRGISLTYTTRAKGYSILVGDEMDKHQVAFQMITOLLESPIGFWSLNY 178
+ ++D+ ++R ++ ++L Y R GY G+ + ++ ++ LL+ G W +Y
Sbjct: 152 SVIADLNLVRDRVQAFQVTLAYNRQDGYFFEGEPLALRRLLLESASVSSLLQVTSQGPWFVSF 211

25 Query: 179 ILSSWKFALSIEKLEKTVVEYFYESFQLSPIQDRLEKSLYFIILILCR-YQRSVD-RVLQG 236
+L + + T+E L+ I ++L +YF L+ R + R+V +
Sbjct: 212 LLHELGLPDQKKVMAATLEELSRENHLTFISEKLRDLIYFFCLLAHRPFPSRVRAEAVDT 271

30 Query: 237 SPIVSEQKELTTIIVTNLSQDISLSKPLDQKEKDYITLILSGCFEG--EGTKDDDFFEA 294
P+ S ++ + ++ N P +EK + L GC +G E ++
Sbjct: 272 FPLASPAVETMVDQLLVNF-----PSLTEEKYLVQSRLLGCTQGDLELVFQOPTYDI 323

35 Query: 295 LAKAIVDEMETSLLNFSNKEELLQGLKRHIIPAYFRLKYGLTGDSGYTQNIKEHYSDLF 354
++ + I++ + + L+ ++ EL Q L H++PAY+RL Y + + + IK+ Y LF
Sbjct: 324 MEE-IINSVAVNTGLSITDTPELRQONLYSHLLPAYVRLYYDINLTNPLKEQIKQDYESLF 382

40 Query: 355 LLVKKALRPLEEQVGL-IPDSEISYFVIHFGGYLRQSGGTQSMSYKALILCPNGVSSSLV 413
LVK++L PLE+Q+G + + E++YF IHFG +L+ S AL +CPNG+SSSL+
Sbjct: 383 YLVKRSLSPLEKQLGKSVNEDEVAYFTIHFGRWLQAPKKRPSNQLVALSVCPNGISSSLM 442

45 Query: 414 IKEKLRLGLFPQIHFRVSKIEQLKLIDNQTYDMVFSTIFVETKKPNYLVSMMTAEQVQQ 473
++ L+ LFPQ+ F R+ +++++KL+D ++D++FST+ + KP Y+ +M +
Sbjct: 443 LEATLKELEFPQLQFIRIHQLDKIKLDPASFDLIFSTVAFDCAKPVYVTQALMGPVEKMM 502

50 Query: 474 LKELVISDFPKACLDDFQLDQLIATIKKYAHVHCEBELKLAL-RTMVKQDILRKDVRPLL 532
LK++V DF + F LD L++ I K+ + +E L L R ++ + + L
Sbjct: 503 LKKMVCDDFHLPLSEQFALDDLSSIHKHTTITNKEGLVSDLSRYLIGNHLTIEKGGGLG 562

55 Query: 533 HQLITEETYQTSSEQMNWKEAIRLAAKPLLASGKITESYPEAMIEKVEEFPGPFINLGKGI 592
L+T + + + +W+EAIRLAA+PLL I SY + MI+ V E G +I L +
Sbjct: 563 LDLLTADFIRQADAVSDWQEAIRLAAQPLEHQMETSIDGMIDSVNELGAYIVLAPKV 622

Query: 593 AIPHARPEdGVNSVGMSMLVLEQP 616
A+PHA PE G +GMS+L L++P
Sbjct: 623 AVPHAAPEKGTROLGMSLLQLKEP 646

55 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 149

A DNA sequence (GBSx0155) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 497> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 498>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

60 Possible site: 22
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3665(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 499> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 500>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 22

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>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3665(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 33/35 (94%), Positives = 35/35 (99%)

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Query: 1 MEKEAKQIIDLKRNLFKIDVRAQKDEEKVFMRTAW 35
 +EKEAKQ+IDLKRNLFKIDVRAQKDEEKVFMRTAW
 Sbjct: 1 LEKEAKQMIDLKRNLFKIDVRAQKDEEKVFMRTAW 35

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

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Example 150

A repeated DNA sequence (GBSx0156) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 501> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 502>. This protein is predicted to be a repeat-associated protein in rhsc-phrb intergenic region. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 44

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>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -4.57 Transmembrane 29 - 45 (28 - 48)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.2826(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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A closely-related DNA sequence was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 1035> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 1036>. Further related GBS sequences are: <SEQ ID 9067>, <SEQ ID 9068>, <SEQ ID 9497>, <SEQ ID 9498>, <SEQ ID 9733>, <SEQ ID 9734>

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A related repeated DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 503> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 504>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 44

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>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -4.57 Transmembrane 29 - 45 (28 - 48)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.2826(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8547> and protein <SEQ ID 8548> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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5  Lipop Possible site: -1   Crend: 5
   McG: Discrim Score:    -7.73
   GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -3.88
      Possible site: 44
   >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
   ALOM program   count: 1 value: -4.57 threshold: 0.0
10  INTEGRAL      Likelihood = -4.57   Transmembrane 26 - 42 ( 25 - 45)
   PERIPHERAL    Likelihood = 2.12    334
   modified ALOM score: 1.41

   *** Reasoning Step: 3

15  ----- Final Results -----
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.2826(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

20  A related DNA sequence was identified in S.pyogenes <SEQ ID 7071> which encodes the amino acid
   sequence <SEQ ID 7072>. An alignment of the GAS and GBS sequences follows:

   Score = 767 bits (1960), Expect = 0.0
   Identities = 375/377 (99%), Positives = 375/377 (99%)

25  Query: 4 MIDFIISIDDCAVELDSRQSWKIRSPLSTILFLVFCQLAGIETWKEMEDFIEMNEPLFA 63
      MIDFIISIDDCAVELDSRQSWKIR PLSTILFLVFCQLAGIETWKEMEDFIEMNEPLFA
   Sbjct: 1 MIDFIISIDDCAVELDSRQSWKIRYPLSTILFLVFCQLAGIETWKEMEDFIEMNEPLFA 60

30  Query: 64 TYVDLSEGCSSHDTLERVISLVNSDRLEKELKVQFEQSLTSLDAVHQLISVDGKTIRGNRG 123
      TYVDLSEGC SHDTLERVISLVNSDRLEKELKVQFEQSLTSLDAVHQLISVDGKTIRGNRG
   Sbjct: 61 TYVDLSEGCPSHDTLERVISLVNSDRLEKELKVQFEQSLTSLDAVHQLISVDGKTIRGNRG 120

   Query: 124 KNQKPVHIVTAYDGGHLSLGQVAVEEKSNEIVAIPQLLRTIDIRKSIVTIDAMGTQTAI 183
      KNQKPVHIVTAYDGGHLSLGQVAVEEKSNEIVAIPQLLRTIDIRKSIVTIDAMGTQTAI
35  Sbjct: 121 KNQKPVHIVTAYDGGHLSLGQVAVEEKSNEIVAIPQLLRTIDIRKSIVTIDAMGTQTAI 180

   Query: 184 VDTIIKGKADYCLAVKGNQETLYDDIALYFSDVNLEELQENAQYYQTVEKSRGQIEVRE 243
      VDTIIKGKADYCLAVKGNQETLYDDIALYFSDVNLEELQENAQYYQTVEKSRGQIEVRE
40  Sbjct: 181 VDTIIKGKADYCLAVKGNQETLYDDIALYFSDVNLEELQENAQYYQTVEKSRGQIEVRE 240

   Query: 244 YWVSSDIKWLCQNHKPKWHKLRGIGMTRNTIDKDGQLSQENRYFIFSFKPDVLTFCNCVRG 303
      YWVSSDIKWLCQNHKPKWHKLRGIGMTRNTIDKDGQLSQENRYFIFSFKPDVLTFCNCVRG
   Sbjct: 241 YWVSSDIKWLCQNHKPKWHKLRGIGMTRNTIDKDGQLSQENRYFIFSFKPDVLTFCNCVRG 300

45  Query: 304 HWQIESMHWLLDVVYHEDHHQTLDKRAAFNLNLIRKMCLYFLKVMVFPKDLSSYRRKQRY 363
      HWQIESMHWLLDVVYHEDHHQTLDKRAAFNLNLIRKMCLYFLKVMVFPKDLSSYRRKQRY
   Sbjct: 301 HWQIESMHWLLDVVYHEDHHQTLDKRAAFNLNLIRKMCLYFLKVMVFPKDLSSYRRKQRY 360

   Query: 364 ISVHLEDYLVQLFGERG 380
50  Sbjct: 361 ISVHLEDYLVQLFGERG 377

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A further related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 9087> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9088>. A further related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 9089> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9090>. The GAS and GBS proteins are 100% identical.

There is also homology to SEQ IDs 7018 and 8548.

SEQ ID 8548 (GBS318) was expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 46 (lane 5; MW 70kDa).

GBS318-GST was purified as shown in Figure 203, lane 3.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 151

- 5 A DNA sequence (GBSx0157) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 505> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 506>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 34
>>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq

- 10 ----- Final Results -----
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

- 15 The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database, but there is homology to SEQ ID 496.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 152

- 20 A repeated DNA sequence (GBSx0158) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 507> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 508>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 48
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

- 25 ----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1054 (Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

- 30 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:BAB03941 GB:AP001507 unknown conserved protein [Bacillus halodurans]
Identities = 26/82 (31%), Positives = 52/82 (62%), Gaps = 2/82 (2%)

- 35 Query: 2 LRIGTACGSGLGSSFMVQMNIESILKDLGVSDVEVEHYDLGGADPSAADVWIVGRDLEDS 61
++I CG G G+S +++MN+E++L LG++ +V++ D+ A +D I ++L +S
Sbjct: 1 MKILCVCGLGQGTSLILKMNVTVLSQLGIA-ADVNTDVSSASSEQSDFIITSKELAES 59

Query: 62 -AGHLGDVRIILNSIIDMDELRE 82
A H + I+N+ DM+E+++

- 40 Sbjct: 60 LASHPSKIVIVNNYFDMEEIKQ 81

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 509> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 510>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 49
>>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq

- 45 ----- Final Results -----
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
50 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

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Identities = 27/90 (30%), Positives = 51/90 (56%), Gaps = 1/90 (1%)

Query: 1 MLRIGTACGSGLGSSFMVQMNIESILKDLGVSDVEVEHYDLGGADPSAADVWIVGRDLED 60
 M++I T CG+G+GSS +++M +E+I LG+ DV+ E D A AD+++ ++ +D

5 Sbjct: 8 MIKIVTVCGNGIGSSLLLRMKVEAIASSLGI-DVDAESCDNSNAAVGKGADLFVTVKEFKD 66

Query: 61 SAGHLGDVRIILNSIIDMDELRELVGTICQE 90

V I+ S + ++ E + + +E

10 Sbjct: 67 IFPEDAKVCIVKSYTNRKKIEEDLVPVLKE 96

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 153

15 A DNA sequence (GBSx0159) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 511> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 512>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 20

>>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq

20 ----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

25 No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 154

30 A DNA sequence (GBSx0160) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 513> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 514>. This protein is predicted to be sgaT. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 16

>>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.

35 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -14.97 Transmembrane 424 - 440 (411 - 447)

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -8.86 Transmembrane 224 - 240 (221 - 248)

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -7.27 Transmembrane 134 - 150 (124 - 167)

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -7.11 Transmembrane 321 - 337 (314 - 349)

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -6.64 Transmembrane 379 - 395 (370 - 397)

40 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -6.21 Transmembrane 96 - 112 (94 - 115)

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -6.05 Transmembrane 267 - 283 (257 - 289)

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -3.13 Transmembrane 18 - 34 (17 - 35)

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -2.55 Transmembrane 151 - 167 (151 - 167)

INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.32 Transmembrane 42 - 58 (42 - 58)

45 ----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.6986(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

50 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAB52363 GB:AL109747 putative integral membrane protein

[*Streptomyces coelicolor* A3(2)]

Identities = 202/453 (44%), Positives = 292/453 (63%), Gaps = 22/453 (4%)

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Query: 7 FLVN-IASTPAILVALIAIIGLVLQKKGVDPDIVKGGIKTFVGFVSVGGTGIVQNSLNPF 65
 FLVN I S PA L+ +I +GL KK V V G IK +G L+V G G+V +SL+P
 Sbjct: 10 FLVNEILSQPAYLIGIITAVGLAALKKSVGQTVGGAIKATLGLLLVAGAGLVSSSLDPL 69

5 Query: 66 GKMFHAFHLVGVVPNNEAIVAVALTKEYGSATALIMLAGMIFNILIARFTKFKYIFLTGH 125
 G+M + GV+P NEAIV +A +++G+ A +M+ G + ++ +ARFT +Y+FLTGH
 Sbjct: 70 GRMIQGTGTGTHGVIPTNEAIVGIAQSEFGARVAWLMILGFLVSLALARFTPLRYVFLTGH 129

10 Query: 126 HTLYMACMIAVIFAVAGFTSFSLILFGLLALGIIMSVSPAFVQKYMILQTLGNDKVALGHF 185
 H L+MA ++ ++ A AG S +++L GG+ +GI++ PAF + ++TGND +A+GHF
 Sbjct: 130 HMLFMATLLTIVMATAGQGSVAVVLGGVVLVGLILLVALPAFAHPWTKKVTGNDTLAIGHF 189

15 Query: 186 GSLGYWLSGFIGGIVGDKSKSTEDIKFPKSLSLRDSVTSITISMAIYLVAV----- 239
 G+ GY +SG G +VG S+STE++K P+ L FLRDS V+ +SM +IYL++++
 Sbjct: 190 GTAGYIVSGATGQLVGNKNSRSTEEMKLPGLRFLRDSMVATALSMVLIYLVMSLLFLAKV 249

20 Query: 240 -----FAGEAYIAKEISNGVNLVYALQLAGQFAAGVFVILAGVRLILGEIVPAFKG 291
 FAG ++ N L+ ++ QF GV VIL GVR ILGE+VPAF+G
 Sbjct: 250 GQDAFAKAFAGSG--GDPAADVGNVLMQSVMQGLQFGIGVAVILFGVRTILGELVPAFQG 307

25 Query: 292 ISEKLVPSKPALDCPIVYPYAPNAVLIGFISSFVGGVLSMIVMI-----VTGTTVLPG 346
 I+ ++VP +KPAID PIV+PYA NAVLIGFI SF+GGL + +I G ++LPG
 Sbjct: 308 IAGRVVPGAKPALDAPIVFPYAQNAVLIGFIFSLFGLTGLAALIWFNPAPGLALVLP 367

30 Query: 347 VVPHFHFCGATAGVIGNASGGVGRGATIGAFVQGILISFLPIFLMPVLGGFGFGSTFSDAD 406
 +VPHFF G AGV GNA+GG RGA +G+F+ G+LI+FLP L+ LG G +TF DAD
 Sbjct: 368 LVPHFHTGGAAGVYGATGGRGAAGVGSFLNGLLITFLPAILLKALGSFGEANTTFGDAD 427

35 Query: 407 FGLTGIIIGALNHVGGAIIVIGIVVILIGLFG 439
 FG G +LG++ + G ++ ++ L+ L G
 Sbjct: 428 FGWFGAVLGSIGKLDGTAGLIGMLIFGLLILAG 460

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 515> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 516>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

35 Possible site: 34
 >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.

INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -8.33	Transmembrane	330 - 346 (315 - 353)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -8.17	Transmembrane	227 - 243 (221 - 246)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -4.62	Transmembrane	127 - 143 (126 - 145)
40 INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -4.25	Transmembrane	269 - 285 (266 - 291)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -3.77	Transmembrane	43 - 59 (41 - 62)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -3.66	Transmembrane	98 - 114 (91 - 116)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -2.76	Transmembrane	146 - 162 (145 - 163)
45 INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -1.59	Transmembrane	308 - 324 (308 - 324)

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4333(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 50 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

>GP:CAB52363 GB:AL109747 putative integral membrane protein
 [Streptomyces coelicolor A3(2)]
 Identities = 162/387 (41%), Positives = 245/387 (62%), Gaps = 17/387 (4%)

55 Query: 8 IRDILKEPAFLMGLIAFAGLVALKTPAHKVLGTGLPILGYLMLVAGAGVIVTNLDPLAK 67
 + +IL +PA+L+G+I GL ALK + + G + LG L++ AGAG++ ++LDPL +
 Sbjct: 12 VNEILSQPAYLIGIITAVGLAALKKSVGQTVGGAIKATLGLLLVAGAGLVSSSLDPLGR 71

60 Query: 68 LIEHGFSTITGVVPNNEAVTSVAQKILGVETMSILVVGLLLNLAFARFTKFKYIFLTGHHS 127
 +I+ GV+P NEA+ +AQ G +++++G L++LA ARFT +Y+FLTGHHS
 Sbjct: 72 MIQGTGTGTHGVIPTNEAIVGIAQSEFGARVAWLMILGFLVSLALARFTPLRYVFLTGHHS 131

65 Query: 128 FFMACLLSAVLGAVGFKGSLIIL-DGFLGAWSAISPAIGQYTLKVTGDEIAMGHFG 186
 FMA LL+ V+ G +GS+ ++L G L+G PA +T KVT D +A+GHFG

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Sbjct: 132 LFMATLLTIVMATAG-QGSVAVVLGGGVLVGILLVALPAFAHPWTKKVTGNDTLAIGHFG 190

Query: 187 SLGYLSAWVGSVKVSKDSTEDLQISEKWSFLRNTTISTGLIMVIFYLVAT---VASVL 243
+ GY +S G VGK+S+ TE++++ E FLR++ ++T L MV+ YLV + +A V

5 Sbjct: 191 TAGYIVSGATGQLVVGKNSRSTEEMKLEPEGLRFLRDSMVATALSMVLIYLVMSLLFLAKVG 250

Query: 244 RNASVAEELAAGQNP-----FIFAIKSGLTFVAVGVAIVYAGVRMILADLIPAFQGIAN 296
++A+ +G +P + ++ GL F +GVA++ GVR IL +L+PAFQGI

10 Sbjct: 251 QDAAFKAFAGSGGDPADVGNLYMQSVMQGLQFGIGVAVILFGVRTLGLVPAFQGIAG 310

Query: 297 KLIPNAIPAVDCAVFFPYAPTAVIIGFASSFVGGLLGLMLIL-----GVAGGVLIIPGMVP 351
+++P A PA+D + FPYA AV+IGF SF+GGL G+ L G L++PG+VP

Sbjct: 311 RVVPGAKPALDAPIVFPYAQNAVLIGFIFSFGLGLTGLAALIWFNPAPGLALVLPGLVP 370

15 Query: 352 HFFCGATAEIFGNSTGGRRGAMIGASL 378
HFF G A ++GN+TGRRGA +G+ L

Sbjct: 371 HFFTGAAGVYGNATGGRRGAAGVSFL 397

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

20 Identities = 174/376 (46%), Positives = 258/376 (68%), Gaps = 2/376 (0%)

Query: 1 MKGLLDFLVNIASPTAILVALIAIIGLVLQKKGVPDIVKGGIKTFVGFVLVSSGGTGIVQN 60
M+ LL F+ +I PA L+ LIA GLV K ++ G + +G+L++ G G++

25 Sbjct: 1 MEALLSFIRDILKEPAFLMGLIAFAGLVALKTPAHKVLGTGLGPILGYLMLVAGAGVIVT 60

Query: 61 SLNPFCKMFEHAFHLVGVVPNNEAIVAVALTKYGSATALIMLAGMIFNILIARFTKFKYI 120
+L+P K+ EH F + GVVPPNNEA+ +VA G T I++ G++ N+ ARFT+FKYI

Sbjct: 61 NLDPLAKLIEHGFSITGVVPNNEAVTSVAQKILGVETMSILVVGLLLNLAFARFTRFKYI 120

30 Query: 121 FLTGHHTLYMACMIAVIFAVAGFTSFSLILFGGLALGIIMSVSPAFVQKYMQLTGNDKV 180
FLTGHH+ +MAC+++ + GF LI+ G LG ++SPA Q+Y +++T D++

Sbjct: 121 FLTGHHSFFMACLLSAVLGAVGFKGSLIILDGFLGAWSAISPAIGQOYTLKVTDGDEI 180

35 Query: 181 ALGHFGSLGYWLSGFIGGIVGDKSKSTEDIKFPKSLSFRLDSTVSTISMALYLI--VA 238
A+GHFGSLGY+LS ++G VG SK TED++ + SFLR++T+S + M I YL+ VA

Sbjct: 181 AMGHFGSLGYLSAWVGSVKVSKDSTEDLQISEKWSFLRNTTISTGLIMVIFYLVATVA 240

Query: 239 VFAGEAYIAKEISNGVNLVYALQLAGQFAAGVFVILAGVRLILGEIVPAFKGISEKLVP 298
A +A+E++ G N ++A++ FA GV ++ AGVR+IL +++PAF+GI+ KL+P

40 Sbjct: 241 SVLRNASVAEELAAGQNPFIKSGLTFVAVGVAIVYAGVRMILADLIPAFQGIANKLIP 300

Query: 299 NSKPALDCPIVYPYAPNAVLIGFISSFVGGLVSMIVMIVIGTTVILPGVVPVHFFCGATAG 358
N+ PA+DC + +PYAP AV+IGF SSFVGGL+ M+++ V G +I+PG+VPHFFCGATA

45 Sbjct: 301 NAIPAVDCAVFFPYAPTAVIIGFASSFVGGLLGLMLILGVAGGVLIIPGMVPHFFCGATAE 360

Query: 359 VIGNASGGVRGATIGA 374
+ GN++GG RGA IGA

Sbjct: 361 IFGNSTGGRRGAMIGA 376

50 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 155

A DNA sequence (GBSx0161) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 517> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 518>. This protein is predicted to be transketolase, N-terminal subunit (tkt). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 45
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

60 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3680(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

5 >GP:AAB98676 GB:U67515 transketolase' [Methanococcus jannaschii]
Identities = 106/269 (39%), Positives = 158/269 (58%), Gaps = 4/269 (1%)

Query: 11 LRRFATEIRLNTLETNLHLGFGHYGGSLSSIVEALAVLYGDIMDINPEKFKESDRDYMVL 70
L + A ++R N ++ + GH GGSLS + + LY +M+ +P+ + DRD VLS
10 Sbjct: 10 LEKIAKKVRYNIVKMGVLAKSGHPGGSLSATDIIVALYFKLMNYSPPNPKDRDRFVLS 69

Query: 71 KGHAGPALYSTLYLKGFFDKTFLHSLNLTNGTKLPSPHPRNLTPGIDVTTGSLGQGISIAT 130
KGHA PALY+ L G ++ L L KL HP + TPG+++ TGSIGQG S A
15 Sbjct: 70 KGHAAALYAVLSELGIIEEELWKLRRLEGLQGHPSMD-TPGVEICTGSLGQGFSAAV 128

Query: 131 GIAYAQKIENSSYYTYTIVGDGELNEGQCWEAIQFAAHHQLHHLIVFDDNKKQLDGLTA 190
G+A +++ + Y Y ++GDGE EG WEA AAH++L +LI F+D NK Q+DG T
15 Sbjct: 129 GMALGCRDLKLNYYVYVLGDGECQEGIVWEAAMAAAHYKLDNLIAFIDRNKLQIDGCTE 188

Query: 191 DICNPGDFVAKFEAFGFDVAVRVKGDDIEAIDKAIKTFQDSNSVRPKCIVLDSIKGQGVKE 250
D+ + GD AKFEAFG+D + G + E I ++ + + +PK I+ ++KG+GV
20 Sbjct: 189 DVMSLGDIKAKFEAFGWDVFEIDGHNFEEIINTVEKAKSMKNGKPKMIIATVKGKGVSF 248

Query: 251 LEELASNNHLRPLDQOKTMLERALLSLRE 279
+E + H P+ +Q L++AL L E
25 Sbjct: 249 MENNVAFHGKAPNEEQ---LKQALEELSE 274

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 519> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 520>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

30 Possible site: 26
>>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.75 Transmembrane 58 - 74 (57 - 74)

----- Final Results -----
35 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1298(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related sequence was also identified in GAS <SEQ ID 9165> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9166>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

40 Possible site: 54
>>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.75 Transmembrane 40 - 56 (39 - 56)

----- Final Results -----
45 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.130(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

50 Identities = 82/246 (33%), Positives = 129/246 (52%), Gaps = 15/246 (6%)

Query: 18 IRLNTLETNLHLGFGHYGGSLSSIVEALAVLYGDIMDINPEKFKESDRDYMVL 76
+R +++ + GH G + VL+ M+INP+ + S+RD +LS GH
55 Sbjct: 82 VRTLSMDAIQAANSQHPGLPMGAAPMAYVLWNHFMNINPKTSRNWSNRDRFILSAGHGSA 141

Query: 77 ALYSTLYLKGFFDKTFLHSLNLTNGTKLPSPHPRNLTPGIDVTTGSLGQGISIATGIAYA 135
LYS L+L G+ L + G+K P HP+ N T G++ TTG LQGI+ A G+A A
Sbjct: 142 MLYSLHLLAGYDLSVEDLKNFRQWGSKTPGHPEVNHTDGVEATTGPLGQGIANAVGMAMA 201

60 Query: 136 QK-----IENSSYYTYTIVGDGELNEGQCWEAIQFAAHHQLHHLIVFDDNKKQL 185
+ + +YT+ + GDG+L EG EA A H +L L++ D N L
Sbjct: 202 EAHLAAKFNKPGFDIVDHYTFALNGDGLMEGVSQEASNAGHLKLGKLVLLYDSNDISL 261

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Query: 186 DGLTADICNPGDFVAKFEAFGFDVAVRVK-GDDIEAIDKAIKTFQDSNSVRPKCIVLDSIK 244
 DG T+ + D +FEA+G+ + VK G+D+E I AI+ + + + +P I + +I
 Sbjct: 262 DGPTS-MAFTEDVKGRFEAYGQHILVKDGNLLEEIAAAIEAAK-AETEKPTIIEVKTI 319

Query: 245 GQGVKE 250
 G G ++
 Sbjct: 320 GFGAEK 325

- 10 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 156

A DNA sequence (GBSx0162) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 521> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 522>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

15 Possible site: 43
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.27 Transmembrane 53 - 69 (53 - 69)

20 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1107(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

- 25 A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9499> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9500> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAB98674 GB:U67515 transketolase'' [Methanococcus jannaschii]
 Identities = 100/301 (33%), Positives = 171/301 (56%), Gaps = 7/301 (2%)

30 Query: 6 KEMRLVYRDFLLQANQENKQITVLEADLSSSMSTNALASEFGKRYINLGIMEAEMVGLAA 65
 K MR Y + L++ ++ + + VL+ADLS S T A EF +R+ N G+ E M+G+AA
 Sbjct: 9 KGMKRGYGETLIELGKKYENLVLDADLSGSTQTAMFAKEFFERFFNAGVAEQNMIGMAA 68

35 Query: 66 GLAIKGYKPYLHTFGPFASRRVFDQVFLSLGYSQLSATIIGSDAGISAEMNGGTHMPFEE 125
 GLA G + +F FAS R ++ + + Y +L+ I+ + AGI+ +G +H E+
 Sbjct: 69 GLATGKIVFASSFSMFASGRABEIRNLVAYPKLVKIVATHAGITVGEDGASHQMCED 128

40 Query: 126 LGLLRLLPKATIFEVSDDIQFEAILKQTLSDGLKYIRTIKAPTAVYEGRE---DFSK 181
 + ++R IP + +D + +++ G Y+R R+ +YE E + K
 Sbjct: 129 IAIMRAIPNMVVIAPTDYYHTKNVIRTIAEYKGFVYVRPRDTELIYENEEATFEIGK 188

45 Query: 182 GFIQLRQGDITLVASGIMVSRAIEAADYLKELGIEASVIDLFKIKPLPEELKPLLDQS 241
 G I L G+D+T++A+G V A+ A + LKE GI A ++++ IKP+ EE+ D
 Sbjct: 189 GKI-LVDGEDLTIIATGEEVPEALRAGEILKENGISAEIVEMATIKPIDEEIIKSKD-F 246

Query: 242 IVTIENHNRRIGGIGSALCEWL-SMEKDTTVSRMGIDERFGQVGQMEYLLBEYGLAVKDIVQ 301
 +VT+E+H+ IGG+G A+ E + S + + R+GI++ FG+ G+ + LL+ YGL + I +
 Sbjct: 247 VVTVEDHSIIGGLGGAVEVIASNGLNKKLLLRIGINDVFGRSKKADELKYYGLDGESIAK 307

- 50 There is also homology to SEQ ID 520.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 157

- 55 A DNA sequence (GBSx0163) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 523> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 524>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 24
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

5 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2517(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

10 No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 158

15 A DNA sequence (GBSx0164) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 525> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 526>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 35

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

20 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -6.42 Transmembrane 119 - 135 (114 - 145)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -5.10 Transmembrane 33 - 49 (32 - 50)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -4.30 Transmembrane 94 - 110 (94 - 111)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -3.66 Transmembrane 67 - 83 (60 - 83)

----- Final Results -----

25 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.3569(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

30 A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8503> and protein <SEQ ID 8504> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Lipop: Possible site: -1 Crend: 4

SRCFLG: 0

McG: Length of UR: 22

35 Peak Value of UR: 2.96

Net Charge of CR: 2

McG: Discrim Score: 10.55

GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -4.31

Possible site: 22

40 >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq

Amino Acid Composition: calculated from 1

ALOM program count: 6 value: -6.42 threshold: 0.0

45 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -6.42 Transmembrane 154 - 170 (149 - 180)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -5.10 Transmembrane 68 - 84 (67 - 85)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -5.04 Transmembrane 6 - 22 (2 - 24)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -4.30 Transmembrane 129 - 145 (129 - 146)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -3.66 Transmembrane 102 - 118 (95 - 118)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -3.56 Transmembrane 29 - 45 (29 - 46)
 PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 0.79 285

modified ALOM score: 1.78

50 icml HYPID: 7 CFP: 0.357

*** Reasoning Step: 3

----- Final Results -----

55 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.3569(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 159

A DNA sequence (GBSx0165) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 527> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 528>. This protein is predicted to be 30S ribosomal protein S15 (rpsO). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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55      Possible site: 24
      >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

      ----- Final Results -----
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.4074 (Affirmative) < succ>
60      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAB13541 GB:Z99112 ribosomal protein S15 (BS18) [Bacillus subtilis]
Identities = 55/89 (61%), Positives = 71/89 (78%)

5 Query: 1 MAISKEKKNEIIAQYARHEGDTGSVEVQVAVLTWEINHLNDHIKQHKKDHATYRGLMKKI 60
MAI++E+KN++I ++ HE DTGS EVQ+A+LT IN+LN+H++ HKKDH + RGL+K +
Sbjct: 1 MAITQERKNQLINEFKTHESDTGSPEVQIAILTD SINNLNEHLRTHKKDHSRRGLLKMV 60

10 Query: 61 GHRNLLAYLRRTDVNRYRELIQSLGLRR 89
G RRNLL YLR DV RYRELI LGLRR
Sbjct: 61 GKRRNLLTYLRNKDVTRYRELINKLGLRR 89

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 529> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 530>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

15 Possible site: 41
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

20 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3746(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 88/89 (98%), Positives = 88/89 (98%)

25 Query: 1 MAISKEKKNEIIAQYARHEGDTGSVEVQVAVLTWEINHLNDHIKQHKKDHATYRGLMKKI 60
MAISKEKKNEIIAQYARHEGDTGSVEVQVAVLTWEINHLN HIKQHKKDHATYRGLMKKI
Sbjct: 1 MAISKEKKNEIIAQYARHEGDTGSVEVQVAVLTWEINHLNSHIKQHKKDHATYRGLMKKI 60

30 Query: 61 GHRNLLAYLRRTDVNRYRELIQSLGLRR 89
GHRNLLAYLRRTDVNRYRELIQSLGLRR
Sbjct: 61 GHRNLLAYLRRTDVNRYRELIQSLGLRR 89

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 160

A DNA sequence (GBSx0166) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 531> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 532>. This protein is predicted to be polyribonucleotide nucleotidyltransferase (pnp). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

40 Possible site: 46
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.64 Transmembrane 448 - 464 (448 - 464)

45 ----- Final Results -----
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1256(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9501> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9502> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAC43595 GB:U29668 polynucleotide phosphorylase [Bacillus subtilis]
Identities = 428/694 (61%), Positives = 532/694 (75%), Gaps = 4/694 (0%)

55 Query: 7 KQVFEMIFAGKKLVVETGQVAKQANGSVVRYGDSTVLTAAVMSKKMSTGDFPLQVNYE 66

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K VF + +AG+ L VETGQ+AKQANG+V++RYGD+ VL+ A SK+ DFFPL VNYE
 Sbjct: 5 KHVFTIDWAGRTLTVETGQLAKQANGAVMIRYGD TAVLSTATASKEPKPLDFFPLTVNYE 64
 Query: 67 EKMYAAGKFPGGFNKREGRPSTDATLTARLIDRPIRPMFAEGFRNEVQVINTVLSFDENA 126
 E++YA GK PGGF KREGRPS A L +RLIDRPIRP+FA+GFRNEVQVI+ V+S D+N
 Sbjct: 65 ERLYAVGKIPGGFIKREGRPSEKAVLASRLIDRPIRPLFADGFRNEVQVISIVMSVDQNC 124
 Query: 127 SAPMAAMFGSSLALSISDIPFNGPIAGVQVAYVDGNFIINPTAQEQEASALELTVAGTKE 186
 S+ MAAMFGSSLALS+SDIPF GPIAGV V +D FIINPT + E S + L VAGTK+
 Sbjct: 125 SSEMAAMFGSSLALSVSDIPFEGPIAGVTVGRIDDQFIINPTVDQLEKSDINLVVAGTKD 184
 Query: 187 AINMVESGAKELSEEIMLEALLKGHEAVCELI AFQEEIVTAIGKEKAEVELLQVDPELQA 246
 AINMVE+GA E+ BEIMLEA++ GHE + LIAFQEEIV A+GKEK+E++L ++D EL
 Sbjct: 185 AINMVEAGADEVPBEIMLEAIFMGHEEIKRLIAFQEEIVAAGVKEKSEIKLFEIDEEELNE 244
 Query: 247 EIIATHNIALQAQVVEEKKAREAAATEAVKEVVIGEYEAARYAEHREYDRIMRDVAEILEQ 306
 ++ A L A+QV EK ARE A VK V+ ++E EH+E ++ V +IL +
 Sbjct: 245 KVKALAEEDLLKAIQVHEKHAREDAINEVKNNAVAKFEDE--EHDE--DTIKQVKQILSK 300
 Query: 307 MEHAEVRLITEDKIRPDGRRVDEIRPLDAEIDFLPQVHGSGLFTRGQTQALSVLTLAPM 366
 + EVRRLITE+K+RPDGR VD+IREPL +E+ LP+ HGSGLFTRGQTQALSV TL +
 Sbjct: 301 LVKNEVRLITEEKVRPDGRGVDQIRPLSSEVGLLPRTHGSGLFTRGQTQALSVCTLGAL 360
 Query: 367 GEAQIIDGLTPEYKRFMHYHNFQYSVGETGRYGAAGRREIGHGALGERALEQVLPRIE 426
 G+ QI+DGL E KRFMHYHNFQ+SVGETG GRREIGHGALGERALE V+P +
 Sbjct: 361 GIVQILDGLGVEESKRFMHYHNFQYSVGETGPMRGPGRREIGHGALGERALEPVIPEK 420
 Query: 427 EFPYAIRLVAEVLESNGSSSQASICAGTLALMAGGVPIKAPVAGIAMGLISDGTNYTVLT 486
 +FPY +RLV+EVLESNGS+SQASICA TLA+M GVPIKAPVAGIAMGL+ G +YTVLT
 Sbjct: 421 DFPYTVRLVSEVLESNGSTSQASICASTLAMMDAGVPIKAPVAGIAMGLVKSGEHYTVLT 480
 Query: 487 DIQGLEDFHFGDMDFKVAGTREGITAIQMDIKIEGITPQILEEALAQAKKARFEILDVLHG 546
 DIQGAED GDMDFKVAGT +G+TALQMDIKIEG++ +ILEAL QAKK R EIL+ +
 Sbjct: 481 DIQGMEDALGDMDFKVAGTEKGVTALQMDIKIEGLSREILEALQAKKGRMEILNSMLA 540
 Query: 547 AIAEPRPQLAPTAPKIDMIKIDVDKIKVIGKGETIDKIIAETGVKIDIDEEGNVSIFS 606
 ++E R +L+ APKI + I+ DKI+ VIG G+ I+KII ETGVKIDI+++G + I S
 Sbjct: 541 TLESERKELSRYPKILMTINPDKIRDVIGPSGKQINKIIBETGVKIDIEQDGTIFISS 600
 Query: 607 SDQAAIDRTKDIIASLVREAKVGEVYHAKVVRIEKFAGFVNLFDKTDALVHISEIAWTRT 666
 +D++ + K II LVRE +VG++Y KV RIEKFAGFV +F D LVHISE+A R
 Sbjct: 601 TDESNQKAKKIIEDLVREVEVQQLYLGKVKRIEKFAGFVEIFSGKDGLVHISELALERV 660
 Query: 667 ANVADVLEIGEEVDVKVIKIDDKGRVDASMKALL 700
 V DV++IG+E+ VKV +ID +GRV+ S KA+L
 Sbjct: 661 GKVEDVVKIGDEILVKVTEIDKQGRVNLSRKAVL 694

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 533> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 534>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 28
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.64 Transmembrane 444 - 460 (444 - 460)
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1256(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 631/708 (89%), Positives = 664/708 (93%), Gaps = 2/708 (0%)
 Query: 5 MSKQVFEMIFAGKKLVVETGQVAKQANGSVVRYGDSTVLTAAVMSKKMTGDFPPLQVN 64
 MSKQ F FAGK LVVE GQVAKQANG+ VVRYGDSTVLTAAVMSKKM+TGDFPPLQVN
 Sbjct: 1 MSKQFTFTTTFAGKPLVVEVGQVAKQANGATVVRYGDSTVLTAAVMSKKMATGDFPPLQVN 60

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Query: 65 YEEKMYAAGKFPGGFNKREGRPSTDATLTARLIDRPIRPMFAEGFRNEVQVINTVLSFDE 124
 YEEKMYAAGKFPGGF KREGRPSTDATLTARLIDRPIRPMFAEGFRNEVQVINTVLS+DE
 Sbjct: 61 YEEKMYAAGKFPGGFNKREGRPSTDATLTARLIDRPIRPMFAEGFRNEVQVINTVLSYDE 120

5 Query: 125 NASAPMAAMFGSSLALSISDIPFNGPIAGVQVAYVDGNFIINPTAQEQEASALELTVAGT 184
 NASAPMAAMFGSSLALSISDIPFNGPIAGVQV Y+DG FIINP ++ EAS LELTVAG+
 Sbjct: 121 NASAPMAAMFGSSLALSISDIPFNGPIAGVQVGYIDGFIINPDKEQMEASLLELTVAGS 180

10 Query: 185 KEAINMVESGAKELSEEIMLEALLKGHEAVCELI AFQEEIVTAIGKEKAEVELLQVDPEL 244
 KEAINMVESGAKELSE+IMLEALLKGH+A+ ELIAFQE+IV +GKEKAEVELLQVD +L
 Sbjct: 181 KEAINMVESGAKELSEDIMLEALLKGHQA IQELIAFQE QIVAVVGKEKAEVELLQVDVDL 240

15 Query: 245 QAEI IATHNIALQA AVQVEEKKAREAA TEAVKEVVIG EYEARYAEHEFYDRIMRDVAEIL 304
 QA+I+A +N LQ AVQVEEKKAREAA TEAVKE+V EYE RYAE E IMRDVAEIL
 Sbjct: 241 QADIVAKYNAQLQKAVQVEEKKAREAA TEAVKEMVKA EYEERYAEDENLATIMRDVAEIL 300

20 Query: 305 EQMEHA EVRRLIT EDKIRPDGRRVDEIRPLDAEIDFLPQVHGSGLFTRGQTQALSVLTLA 364
 EQMEHA EVRRLIT EDKIRPDGR++DEIRPLDA +DFLP+VHGSGLFTRGQTQALSVLTLA
 Sbjct: 301 EQMEHA EVRRLIT EDKIRPDGRKIDEIRPLDAVDVDFLPK VHGSGLFTRGQTQALSVLTLA 360

25 Query: 365 PMGEAQI IDGLTPEYKKRFMHYHNF PQYSVGETGRYGAAGRREIGHGALGERALEQVLPR 424
 PMGE QIIDGL PEYKKRF+HHYHNF PQYSVGETGRYGAAGRREIGHGALGERALEQVLP
 Sbjct: 361 PMGETQIIDGLAPEYKKRFLHHYHNF PQYSVGETGRYGAAGRREIGHGALGERALEQVLPS 420

30 Query: 425 LEEFPYAIRLVAEVLESNGSSSQASICAGTLALMAGGVPIKAPVAGIAMGLISDGTNYTV 484
 LEEFPYAIRLVAEVLESNGSSSQASICAGTLALMAGGVPIKAPVAGIAMGLISDGTNYTV
 Sbjct: 421 LEEFPYAIRLVAEVLESNGSSSQASICAGTLALMAGGVPIKAPVAGIAMGLISDGTNYTV 480

35 Query: 485 LTDIQGLE DHFGDMDFKVAGTREGITALQMDIKIEGITPQILEEALAQAKKARFEILDVL 544
 LTDIQGLE DHFGDMDFKVAGTREGITALQMDIKI GITPQILEEALAQAKKARFEILDV+
 Sbjct: 481 LTDIQGLE DHFGDMDFKVAGTREGITALQMDIKIAGITPQILEEALAQAKKARFEILDVI 540

40 Query: 545 HGAIAEPRPQLAPTAPKIDMIKIDVDKIKV VIGKGGETIDKIIAETGVKIDIDEGNVSI 604
 IAEPRP+LAPTAPKID IKIDVDKIKV VIGKGGETIDKIIAETGVKIDID+EGNVSI
 Sbjct: 541 EATIAEPRPELAPTAPKIDTIKIDVDKIKV VIGKGGETIDKIIAETGVKIDIDEGNVSI 600

45 Query: 605 FSSDQA AIDRTKDI IASLVREAKVGEVYHAKVVRIEKF GAFVNLFDKTDALVHISEIAWT 664
 +SSDQA AIDRTK+IIA LVREAKVGEVYHAKVVRIEKF GAFVNLFDKTDALVHISEIAWT
 Sbjct: 601 YSSDQA AIDRTKEIIAGLVREAKVGEVYHAKVVRIEKF GAFVNLFDKTDALVHISEIAWT 660

Query: 665 RTANVADVLEIGEEVDVKVIKIDDKGRVDASMKALLPRPPKADNPKE 712
 RT NV+DVLE+GE+VDVKVIKID+KGRVDASMKAL+PRPPK + KKE
 Sbjct: 661 RTTNVSDVLEVGEDVDVKVIKIDDKGRVDASMKALIPRPPKPE--KKE 706

45 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 161

A DNA sequence (GBSx0167) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 535> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 536>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

50 Possible site: 39
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
 55 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1293(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 537> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 538>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 38

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.43 Transmembrane 83 - 99 (83 - 99)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1171(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 172/248 (69%), Positives = 211/248 (84%)

Query: 1 MTSTNELDIRLRAFINAPDNFLDSIGLVNALHHSTVWASKEPYAIQVDGQEVVPVFTDIT 60
 MT +NELDIRLRAFINAPDNFLDS+ LVNA H+ VWA+KEPY I+V+G +V PVFTD
 Sbjct: 1 MTKSNELDIRLRAFINAPDNFLDSLALVNAFHNFPVWAAKEPYVIEVEGVKVPVFTDKE 60

Query: 61 DLNHFKEEQESARDMFWESRRSLDVLDEAISHGLAGLVYNLKEGDFGNSTIFYCEDMVQ 120
 D+ FKEEQ+SA+ +W R +L VL+E I+ G AGL++NLKK+GDFGNSTIF DM+Q
 Sbjct: 61 DMARFKEEQKSAQSQYWLERSALAVLEEVIITSGAAGLIFNLKKKGDFGNSTIFKSSDMIQ 120

Query: 121 FMNNYTTILNQLLNEDNIVADIMDKTYLVPAFVHPREEGSFDRLFPTMSTPEGKSYVPVF 180
 FMN+YTT+LN L+++DN+ AD M+K YLVPFV+P++ +DRLFPTMSTPEGKSYVP F
 Sbjct: 121 FMNHYTTVLNLTMSDDNVAADTMEKVYLVPFVYPKDNHYDRLFPTMSTPEGKSYVPF 180

Query: 181 SNLLSFEKWYNHNDFGGAFRKAQGVILAWTIDDIYKPRNGENEIDDTFGVAINPFDQQV 240
 SNL SF KWYN +DFGG FRKA+GVIL WTIDDIY+PRNGENE+D+TFGVAINPFD+QQ+
 Sbjct: 181 SNLQSFQKWNQDDFGGLFRKAEGVILTWTIDDIYQPRNGENELDETFGVAINPFDQQI 240

Query: 241 LVDWSDVE 248
 LVDWS+++
 Sbjct: 241 LVDWSELD 248

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 162

A DNA sequence (GBSx0168) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 539> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 540>. This protein is predicted to be serine acetyltransferase (cysE). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 39

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -2.02 Transmembrane 150 - 166 (147 - 168)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1808(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9503> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9504> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAB71304 GB:AJ130879 serine acetyltransferase [Clostridium
 sticklandii]

Identities = 92/169 (54%), Positives = 125/169 (73%)

Query: 9 KESIAIVKEQDPAARSSLEVILTYPGIKALAAHRLSHFLWNHNFKLLARMHSQFWRFWTQ 68

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KE+I + +E+DPAA+ ++ +++ PGI A+ HR++H L+N +AR+ SQ RF T
 Sbjct: 20 KETIEVAREKDPAAKGAINILVNTPGIHAIMFHRVAHSLYNRKHFFIARLISQISRFLTG 79

Query: 69 IEIHPGATISEGVFIDHGSGLVIGETAIVEKGAMLYHGVTLGGTGKDKGKRHPTIRK GAL 128
 IEIHPGA I FIDHG G+VIGETA + ML+H VTLGGTGKDKGKRHPT+ +
 Sbjct: 80 IEIHPGAQIGRRFFIDHGMGVVIGETAIEIGDDVMLFHQVTLGGTGKDKGKRHPTVENNVI 139

Query: 129 ISAHSQIIGPIEVGENAKVGAAAVVLADVPADVTVVGVPAKVVRVHGQK 177
 ISA +++GPI +GEN+K+GA AVVL D+P + T VG+PAKVVR++G+K
 Sbjct: 140 ISAGVKVLGPIVIGENSKIGANAVVLHDIPKNATAVGIPAKVVRVRLNGEK 188

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 541> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 542>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 35
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0141(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 162/193 (83%), Positives = 178/193 (91%)

Query: 5 MGWWKESIAIVKEQDPAARSSLEVILTYPGIKALAAHRLSHFLWNHFKLLARMHSQFWR 64
 MGWWKESIAIVK DPAAR+SLEVILTYPGIKALAAHRLSHFLW H+FKLLARMHSQFWR
 Sbjct: 1 MGWWKESIAIVKALDPAARNSLEVILTYPGIKALAAHRLSHFLWRHHFKLLARMHSQFWR 60

Query: 65 FWTQIEIHPGATISEGVFIDHGSGLVIGETAIVEKGAMLYHGVTLGGTGKDKGKRHPTIR 124
 FWTQIEIHPGA I+ GVFDHG+GLVIGETAIVEKG MLYHGVTLGGTGKD GKRHPT+R
 Sbjct: 61 FWTQIEIHPGAQIAPGVFIDHAGLVIGETAIVEKGVMLYHGVTLGGTGKDCGKRHPTVR 120

Query: 125 KGALISAHSQIIGPIEVGENAKVGAAAVVLADVPADVTVVGVPAKVVRVHGQKDDLQIRS 184
 +GALISAH+Q+IGPI++G NAKVGAAAVVL+DVP DVTVVGVPAK+VRVHGQKD+ QI+S
 Sbjct: 121 QGALISAHQVIGPIDIGANAKVGAAAVVLSVDPEDVTVVGVPAKIVRVHGQKDNRQIQS 180

Query: 185 IEHDREESYSSK 197
 ++ RE SY SK
 Sbjct: 181 LQKQREVSYQLSK 193

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 163

A DNA sequence (GBSx0169) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 543> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 544>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 29
 >>> May be a lipoprotein
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -5.89 Transmembrane 32 - 48 (29 - 49)

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.3357(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 164

A DNA sequence (GBSx0170) was identified in *S. agalactiae* <SEQ ID 545> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 546>. This protein is predicted to be cysteinyl-tRNA synthetase (cysS). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 46
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2227(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAB11870 GB:Z99104 cysteinyl-tRNA synthetase [Bacillus subtilis]
Identities = 246/465 (52%), Positives = 322/465 (68%), Gaps = 23/465 (4%)

Query: 2 IKIYDTMTRSLQDFIPLNEGKVNMYVCGPTVYNYIHIGNARSVVAFDTIRRYFEYCGYQV 61
I +Y+T+TR + F+PL EGKV MYVCGPTVYNYIHIGNAR + +DT+R Y EY GY V
Sbjct: 3 ITLYNTLTRQKETFPLEEGKVKMYVCGPTVYNYIHIGNARPAIVYDTPVRYLEYKGYDV 62

Query: 62 NYISNFTDVDDKIIKGAAEAGMDTKSFSDKFISAFMEDVAALGVKPKATKNPRVIDYMDEI 121
Y+SNFTDVDDK+IK A E G D + S++FI A+ EDV ALG + A +PRV++ MD I
Sbjct: 63 QYVSNFTDVDDKLIKAANELGEDVPTISERFTKAYFEDVGALGCRKADLHPRVMENMDAI 122

Query: 122 IDFKVLVDKEFAYEANGDVYFRVSKSHHYAKLANKTLEDEIGASGRVDGEGEIKENPL 181
I+FV LV K +AYE+ GDVYF+ Y KL+ +++++L GA RV GE KE+ L
Sbjct: 123 IEFVDQLVKKGYAYESEGDDVYFKTRAPEGYGKLSQQSIDELRSGARIRV---GEKKEDAL 179

Query: 182 DFALWKSASKEVSWESPWGKGRPGWHIECSVMATEILGDTIDIHGGGADLEFPHTNEI 241
DFALWK+AK GE+SW+SPWGKGRPGWHIECS M + LGD IDIH GG DL FPHH NEI
Sbjct: 180 DFALWKAKEGEISWDSPWGKGRPGWHIECSAMVKKYLGDQIDIHAGGQDLTFPHHENEI 239

Query: 242 AQSEAKTGKTFANYWMHNGFVNVDNEKMSKSLGNFITVHDMKSVGQVIRFFLATQQYR 301
AQSEA TGKTFA YW+HNG++N+DNEKMSKSLGNF+ VHD++K D Q++RFF+ + YR
Sbjct: 240 AQSEALTGKTFKAYWLHNGYINIDNEKMSKSLGNFVLVHDIKQHDPQLLRPFMLSVHYR 299

Query: 302 KPVNFTEKAVHDAEVLNLYLKNFT-----NLPIQENANDEEELQFVKAFQGAMD 350
P+N++E+ + + + LK + NL ++ E++E+ KAF+ MD
Sbjct: 300 HPINYSSEELLENTKSAFSRLKTAYSNLQHLNLSSTNLTEDDDQWLEKVEEHRKAFEEEMD 359

Query: 351 DDFNTANGITVIFEMAKWIN-----SGHYTSRVKETFAELLEIFGI-VFQEEVLAD 401
DDFNTAN I+V+F++AK N + H + E F ++ + G + ++E+LD +
Sbjct: 360 DDFNTANAISVLFDLAKHANYYLQKDHADHVITAFIEMFDRIVSVLGFSLGEQELLDQE 419

Query: 402 IESLIEQRQEARANRDFATADRIRDELAKQGKIKLLDTKDGVRWTR 446
IE LIE+R EAR NRDFA +D+IRD+L I L DT G RW R
Sbjct: 420 IEDLIEKRNEARRNRDFALSQIRDLQKSMNILEDTAQGTWRKR 464

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S. pyogenes* <SEQ ID 547> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 548>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 46
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1765(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 357/447 (79%), Positives = 401/447 (88%)

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5  Query: 1  MIKIYDTMTRSLQDFIPLNEGKVMYVCGPTVYNYIHIGNARSVVAFDITIRRYFEYCGYQ 60
    Sbjct: 1  MIKIYDTMTRSL+ F+PL E VN+YVCGPTVYNYIHIGNARS VAFDITIRRYFEY GYQ
    Sbjct: 1  MIKIYDTMTRSLRKFPVPLTENTVNIYVCGPTVYNYIHIGNARSAVAFDITIRRYFEYTG YQ 60

    Query: 61  VNYISNFTDVDDKIIKGAAEAGMDTKSFSKFI SAFMEDVAALGVKPKATKNPRVIDYMDE 120
    Sbjct: 61  VNYISNFTDVDDKIIK A +AG+ K SD+FI+AF+ED ALGVKPKAT+NPRV+DY+ E
10  Sbjct: 61  VNYISNFTDVDDKIIKAATQAGVSPKELSDRFIAAFIEDTKALGVKPKATQNPVMDYIAE 120

    Query: 121  IIDFVKVLVDKEFAYEANGDVYFRVSKSHHYAKLANKTLEDLEIGASGRVDGEGEIKENP 180
    Sbjct: 121  II FV+ L++K+FAYEA+GDVYFRV KS HYAKLANKTL +LE+GASGR D E +KENP
15  Sbjct: 121  IISFVBSLIEKDFAYEADGDVYFRVEKSEHYAKLANKTLSELEV GASGRD AETALKENP 180

    Query: 181  LDFALWKS AKSGEVSWE SPWGKGRPGWHIECSVMATEILGDTIDIHGGGADLEFPHTNE 240
    Sbjct: 181  LDFALWKS AK+GEVSW+SPWG GRPGWHIECSVMATEILGDTIDIHGGGADLEFPHTNE
    Sbjct: 181  LDFALWKS AKAGEVSWD SPWGFGRPGWHIECSVMATEILGDTIDIHGGGADLEFPHTNE 240

20  Query: 241  IAQSEAKTGKTFANYWMHNGFVNVDNEKMSKSLGNFITVHDM LKSV DQGQVIRFFLATQQY 300
    Sbjct: 241  IAQSEAKTGKTFANYWMHNGFV VDNEKMSKSLGNF+TVHDM L++VDGQV+RFFLATQQY
    Sbjct: 241  IAQSEAKTGKTFANYWMHNGFVTVDNEKMSKSLGNFVTVHDM LQTVDGQVLRFFLATQQY 300

25  Query: 301  RKPVNFTKAVHDAEVLNLYKLTNLTPIQENANDEEELQFVKAFQ GAMD DDFNTANGIT 360
    Sbjct: 301  RKP+NFTK +HDAE+NLKYLKNT P+ E A+++EL+QFV AFQ AMDD DDFNTANGIT
    Sbjct: 301  RKPINFTEKTIHDAEINLYKLTNLTQOPLTETADEQELKQFVIAFQDAMDD DDFNTANGIT 360

    Query: 361  VIFEMAKWINS GHYTSRVKETFAELLEIFGIVFQEEVL DADIESLIEQRQEARANRDFAT 420
    Sbjct: 361  V+F+MAKWINS G YT VK F ++L +FGI+F+EEVL+ DIB+LI +RQEARANRDFAT
30  Sbjct: 361  VVFDMAKWINS GSYTEPVKSAF EKMLAVFGIIFEEVLEVDIEALIAKRQEARANRDFAT 420

    Query: 421  ADRIRDELAKQG IKL LDTKDGVRWTRD 447
    Sbjct: 421  ADAIRDQLAVQGIKL LDTKDGVRWLRD 447
35  Sbjct: 421  ADAIRDQLAVQGIKL LDTKDGVRWLRD 447

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 165

A DNA sequence (GBSx0171) was identified in *S. agalactiae* <SEQ ID 549> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 550>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 53
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

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45  ----- Final Results -----
    bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0259(Affirmative) < succ>
    bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
    bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9505> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9506> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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>GP:CAB11871 GB:Z99104 similar to hypothetical proteins [Bacillus subtilis]
Identities = 58/122 (47%), Positives = 87/122 (70%)
55  Query: 3  DVRLINGIALAFEGDAVYSLYIRRHLMQGF TKPNQLHRKATQYVSANAQALLINAMLEE 62
    Sbjct: 9  DSKQLNGLALAYIGDAIFEVYVRHLLKQGF TKPNLHKKSSRIVSAKSQAELFFLQNG 68
    Sbjct: 9  DSKQLNGLALAYIGDAIFEVYVRHLLKQGF TKPNLHKKSSRIVSAKSQAELFFLQNG 68

    Query: 63  NILTDEEQLIYKGRNANSHTKAKNADIITYRMSTGF EALMGYLDMTGQIKRLETLIQNC 122

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+ T+EE+ + KRGRNA S T KN D+ TYR ST FEAL+GYL + + +RL L+
 Sbjct: 69 SFFTEEEBAVLKRGRNAKSGTTPKNTDVTQTYRYSTAFEALLGYLFLEKKEERLSQLVAEA 128

Query: 123 IE 124

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Sbjct: 129 IQ 130

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 551> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 552>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 56

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

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bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

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Identities = 99/127 (77%), Positives = 111/127 (86%)

Query: 2 IDVRLINGIALAFEGDAVYSLYIRRHLMQGFQKPNQLHRKATQYVSANAQALLINAMLE 61

+DV LINGIALAFEGDAVYS Y+RRHLI QG TKP+QLHR AT+YVSA AQA LI AMLE

Sbjct: 5 VDVNLINGIALAFEGDAVYSYVRRHLIFQGKTKPSQLHRLATRYVSAKAQANLIQAMLE 64

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Query: 62 ENILTDEEQLIYKGRNANSHTKAKNADIITYRMSTGFEALMGYLDMTGQIKRLETLIQW 121

+LT++E+ IYKGRN NSHTKAKNADIITYRMSTGFEA+MGYLDL GQ +RLE LI+W

Sbjct: 65 AQLLTEKEEDIYKGRNTNSHTKAKNADIITYRMSTGFEALMGYLDLMMGQKERLEELIRW 124

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Query: 122 CIETIEK 128

CIE +EK

Sbjct: 125 CIEYVEK 131

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

35 Example 166

A DNA sequence (GBSx0172) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 553> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 554>. This protein is predicted to be spoU rRNA methylase family protein. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 30

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

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bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1478(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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>GP:CAB11872 GB:Z99104 similar to hypothetical proteins [Bacillus subtilis]

Identities = 113/244 (46%), Positives = 163/244 (66%), Gaps = 6/244 (2%)

Query: 11 ESSDLVYGLHAVTESLRANTG-NKLYLQDDLGRKNVDKVKALATEKKVSISWTPKKTLSLSD 69

+ D V G +AV E+L+++ KL++ ++ +V LA ++ ++I + P+K L

Sbjct: 3 QQHDYVIGKNAVETLSKSDRKLYKLWMAENTVKGQAQQVIELAKKQGITTQYVPRKKLDQ 62

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Query: 70 MTNGGVHQGFVLKVSEFAYADLSEIMTKAENE-ENPLILILDGLTDPHNLGSIIRTDAT 128

M G HQG V +V+ + YA+L ++ AE + E P LILD L DPHNLGSI+RTADA

Sbjct: 63 MVTGQ-HQGVVAQVAAYEYAELEDDLYKAAEKNQPPFLILDELEDPHNLGSIMRTADAV 121

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Query: 129 NVTGIIIPKHSVGVTPVVSKTSTGAVEHVPIARVTNLSQTLDTLKDKEFWIFGTDMMNGT 188
 GI+IPK R+VG+T V+K STGA+EH+P+ARVTNL++TL+ +K++ W+ GTD +
 Sbjct: 122 GAHGIVIPKRRVGLTTTVAKASTGAIEHIPVARVTNLARTLEEMKERGIWVVGTDASAR 181

5 Query: 189 PSHKWNTKGG--LALVIGNEGKGISHNIKKQVDEMITIPMNGHVQSLNASVAAAILMYEV 246
 + N G LALVIG+EGKG+ +K++ D +I +PM G V SLNASVAA +LMYEV
 Sbjct: 182 EDFR-NMDGNMPLALVIGSEGGMGRLVKEKCDFLIKLPMAGKVTSLNASVAAGLLMYEV 240

10 Query: 247 FRNR 250
 +R R
 Sbjct: 241 YRKR 244

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 555> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 556>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

15 Possible site: 36
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
 20 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1037(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 206/248 (83%), Positives = 225/248 (90%), Gaps = 1/248 (0%)

25 Query: 3 MKDKQFKESSDLVYGLHAVTESLRANTGNKLYLQDDLRGKNVDKVKALATEKKVSISWT 62
 M+DK E++D+VYG+HAVTESL+ANTGNKLY+Q+DLRGK VD +K+LAT+KKV+ISWT
 Sbjct: 10 MEDKD-TIETNDIVYGVHAVTESLQANTGNKLYIQEDLRGKKVDNIKSLATQKKVAISWT 68

30 Query: 63 PKKTLSDMTNGGVHQGFVLKVSEFAYADLSEIMTKAENEENPLILILDGLTDPHNLGSIL 122
 PKKTLS MT+G VHQGFVL+VS FAY D+ EI+ AE E NPLILILDGLTDPHNLGSIL
 Sbjct: 69 PKKTLSQMTDGAHVHQGFVLRVSAFAYTDVDEILEIAEQEANPLILILDGLTDPHNLGSIL 128

35 Query: 123 RTADATNVTGIIIPKHSVGVTPVVSKTSTGAVEHVPIARVTNLSQTLDTLKDKEFWIFG 182
 RTADATNV G+IIPKHSVGVTPVVSKTSTGAVEH+PIARVTNLSQTLD LK + FWIFG
 Sbjct: 129 RTADATNVCGVIIPKHSVGVTPVVSKTSTGAVEHIPIARVTNLSQTLDKLGKARGFWIFG 188

40 Query: 183 TDMNGTPSHKWNTKGLALVIGNEGKGISHNIKKQVDEMITIPMNGHVQSLNASVAAAIL 242
 TDMNGTPS WNT GKLALVIGNEGKGIS NIKKQVDEMITIPMNGHVQSLNASVAAAIL
 Sbjct: 189 TDMNGTPSDCWNTNGKLALVIGNEGKGISTNIKKQVDEMITIPMNGHVQSLNASVAAAIL 248

Query: 243 MYEVFRNR 250
 MYEVFRNR
 Sbjct: 249 MYEVFRNR 256

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 167

A DNA sequence (GBSx0173) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 557> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 558>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

50 Possible site: 18
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
 55 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2187(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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>GP:CAB11873 GB:Z99104 similar to hypothetical proteins [Bacillus subtilis]
Identities = 67/147 (45%), Positives = 94/147 (63%), Gaps = 2/147 (1%)

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Query: 6 ILLVDGYNMIAFWKDTROLFKSNRLEEAREVLLRKLNHYAHEHIDIICVFDAQYVPGVR 65
ILLVDGYNMI W + L K+N EEAR+VL++K+ Y + +I VFDA V G+
Sbjct: 3 ILLVDGYNMIGAWPQLKDL-KANSFEEARDVLIQKMAEYQSYTGNRVIVVFD AHLVKGLE 61

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Query: 66 QRYDQYKISVIFTEEDTADSYIERAAELNQSVLNLVSVATSDLINEQWTIFSQGALRVS 125
++ +++ VIFT+E+ETAD IE+ A LN ++ + VATSD EQW IF QGALR S
Sbjct: 62 KKQTNHRVEVIFTKENETADERIEKLAQALN-NIATQIHVATSDYTEQWAIFCQGALRKS 120

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Query: 126 ARELEQRVATVKSDLDKMSQIDLSTP 152
AREL + V T++ +++ +I P
Sbjct: 121 ARELLREVETIERRIERRVRKITSEKP 147

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 559> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 560>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 46
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

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----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2465(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

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Identities = 130/167 (77%), Positives = 149/167 (88%), Gaps = 1/167 (0%)
Query: 3 KHSILLVDGYNMIAFWKDTROLFKSNRLEEAREVLLRKLNHYAHEHIDIICVFDAQYVP 62
K ILLVDGYNMIAFW+ TROLFK+N+L++AR LL KLNHYAHFE+I+IICVFDAQYVP
Sbjct: 2 KKRILLVDGYNMIAFWQSTRQLFKTNQLDQARNTLLTKLNHYAHFENINIICVFDAQYVP 61
Query: 63 GVRQRYDQYKISVIFTEEDTADSYIERAAELNQSVLNLVSVATSDLINEQWTIFSQGAL 122
G+RQRYDQY ISV+FTTEEDTADSYIER AAELN + +++V VATSDLINEQWTIFSQGAL
Sbjct: 62 GLRQRYDQYISVVFTEEDTADSYIERMAAELN-TAIHMVEVATSDLINEQWTIFSQGAL 120
Query: 123 RVSARELEQRVATVKSDLDKMSQIDLSTPKLRPNWDEQLGKLKDFL 169
RV+ARELEQRV TVK+DLDKMS IDL TPKLRP++ QL +LKDF+
Sbjct: 121 RVTARELEQRVHTVKADLDKMSRDIDLKTPKLRPPDQGGQLIQLKDFM 167

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 168

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A DNA sequence (GBSx0174) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 561> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 562>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 58
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.4889(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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>GP:CAB12951 GB:Z99109 yitS [Bacillus subtilis]
Identities = 100/284 (35%), Positives = 157/284 (55%), Gaps = 6/284 (2%)
Query: 1 MTFKILTDSTSDLDEKWAQEHNVDIIGLTIELDGKTYETVGDEKITSDFLLERMQEGAKP 60
MT ++ DS +DL + +E + I L + L K +E I +D + E MQ G P

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Sbjct: 1 MTVHLIADSATDLPRSYFEEKGIGFIPLRVSLGDKFEDEA--VTIHADQIFEAMQNETP 58

Query: 61 TTSQINVGFEEVFSTYAENDHALLYLALSSHLSGTYQSATIAREMVLDKYPDAQIEIVD 120
TSQ + + VF YAE LY+A SS LSGTYQ+A + V +++PD + ++D

5 Sbjct: 59 KTSQASPTIKNVFLQYAEFGDPALYIAFSSGLSGTYQTAVMIANEVKEEFPDFDLRVID 118

Query: 121 TMAASCGEGLAMLATKERQEGKSLEEVKQKIESLLPKLNTYFLVDDLNLHMRSGRLSKG 180
+ AS G G+ A G +++E++ +++ +L F VDDL +L R GR+SK

10 Sbjct: 119 SKCASLGYGLAVRHAADLCINGNTIQEIETSVKNFCSQLEHIFTVDDLTYLARGGRISKT 178

Query: 181 AAIIGSVAKIKPLLKLDSEGKLVPPAKTRGRKKGIK---EIVTQATKTLSTLIAYSG 237
+A +G + IKPLL+++ +GKLV K RG+KK K E++ + S T+ I+Y+

15 Sbjct: 179 SAFVGGLLNKIPLLQME-DGKLVLEKIRGQKLFKRIIELMKERGDDWSNQTVGISYAA 237

Query: 238 EKDSAQVMKEQLLADERIEEVIIRPLGPVISAHVSGALALFSL 281
K+ A MK + + +E+I+ P+ I +H G G LA+F L

Sbjct: 238 NKEKATDMKHLIEEAFKPEIIMHPISSAIGSHAGPGTLAIFFL 281

20 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 563> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 564>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 18
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

25 ----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3247(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

30 Identities = 167/286 (58%), Positives = 227/286 (78%)

Query: 1 MTFKILT DSTSDLDKWAQEHNVDIIGLTIELDGKTYETVGDEKITSDFLLERMQEGAKP 60
MTF I+TDST+DL++ WA++H++ +IGLTI DG+ YETVG +I+SD+LL++M+ G+ P

35 Sbjct: 1 MTFTIMTDSTADLNQTAEDHDIVLIGLTILCDGEVYETVGPNRISSDYLLKMKAGSHP 60

Query: 61 TTSQINVGFEEVFSTYAENDHALLYLALSSHLSGTYQSATIAREMVLDKYPDAQIEIVD 120
TSQINVGF+FE+VF +A N+ ALLYLA SS LSGTYQSA +AR++V + YPDA IEIVD

Sbjct: 61 QTSQINVGEFEKVFREHARNNKALLYLAFSSVLSGTYQSALMARDLVREDYDPAVIEIVD 120

40 Query: 121 TMAASCGEGLAMLATKERQEGKSLEEVKQKIESLLPKLNTYFLVDDLNLHMRSGRLSKG 180
T+AA+ GEG L +LA + R GK+L E K +E+++P+L TYFLVDDL HLMR GRLSKG

Sbjct: 121 TLAAAGGEGYLTILAAEARDSGKNLLETKDIVEAVIPRLRTYFLVDDLPHLMRGGRLSKG 180

45 Query: 181 AAIIGSVAKIKPLLKLDSEGKLVPPAKTRGRKKGIKEIVTQATKTLSTLIAYSGEKD 240
+A +GS+A IKPLL +D EGKLV AK RGR+K IKE+V Q K ++ ST+I++Y+ ++

Sbjct: 181 SAFLGSLASIKPLLWIDEEGKLVPIAKIRGRQKAIKEMVAQVEKDIADSTVIVSYTSDQG 240

Query: 241 SAQVMKEQLLADERIEEVIIRPLGPVISAHVSGALALFSLGEENR 286
SA+ ++E+LLA E I +V++ PLGPVISAHV LA+F +G+ +R

50 Sbjct: 241 SAEKLREELLAHENISDVLMPLGPVISAHVGPNTLAVFVIGQNSR 286

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 169

55 A DNA sequence (GBSx0175) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 565> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 566>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 56
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
INTEGRAL Likelihood = -8.76 Transmembrane 43 - 59 (40 - 62)

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----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4503(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

10 **Example 170**

A DNA sequence (GBSx0176) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 567> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 568>. This protein is predicted to be ribosomal protein L13 (rplM). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 55

15 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3426(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

20

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9507> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9508> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

25 >GP: BAB03887 GB: AP001507 ribosomal protein L13 [Bacillus halodurans]
 Identities = 89/144 (61%), Positives = 113/144 (77%)

Query: 36 KTTFMAKPGQVERKQWYVVDAAADVPLGRLSAVVASVLRGKKNKPTFTPHDTGDFVIVINAE 95
 +TT+MAKP +VERKQWYVDA LGRL++ VAS+LRGK+KPT+TPH DTGD VI+INAE

30 Sbjct: 2 RTTYMAKPNEVERKQWYVVDAAEQTLGRLEVASILRGKHKPTYTPHVDTGDEVIINAE 61

Query: 96 KVKLTGKKASDKIYYTHSMYPGGLKQISAGELRSKNAVRLEKSVKGMLEPHNTLGRAQGM 155
 K+ LTG K DKIIY HS +PGGLK+ A ++R+ +++E ++KGMLP NTLGR QGM

35 Sbjct: 62 KIHITGNKLQDKIYYRHSGHGGGLKETRAADMRANKPEKMLELAIKGMLPKNTLGRKQGM 121

Query: 156 KLKVFVGGGEHTHAAQQPEVLDISG 179

KL V+ G EH H AQ+PEV ++ G

Sbjct: 122 KLHVYAGSEHKHQAQKPEVVELRG 145

40 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 569> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 570>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 57

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

45 ----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.4249(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

50 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 167/184 (90%), Positives = 171/184 (92%), Gaps = 4/184 (2%)

Query: 1 MFTFPVRPRNLSNTLVDRNIHT--CKQ-KRIRIGEIMNKTTFMAKPGQVERKQWYVVDAAAD 57
 +FTFP RPRNL NT D H CKQ RIRIGEIMNKTTFMAKPGQVERKQWYVVDAAAD

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Sbjct: 1 LFTPFERPRNLPNTF-DGTEHPSPCKQILRIRIGEIMNKTTFMAKPGQVERKWVVDAAAD 59

Query: 58 VPLGRLSAVVASVLRGKNKPTFTPHTDTGDFVIVINAEKVLTGKKASDKIYYTHSMYPG 117
VPLGRLSAVVASVLRGKNKPTFTPHTDTGDFVIVINAEKVLTGKKA+DK+YYTHSMYPG

5 Sbjct: 60 VPLGRLSAVVASVLRGKNKPTFTPHTDTGDFVIVINAEKVLTGKKATDKVYYTHSMYPG 119

Query: 118 GLKQISAGELRSKNAVRLEIEKSVKGMLPHNTLGRAQGMKLKVFVGGGEHTHAAQQPEVLDI 177
GLK I+AGELRSKNAVRLEIEKSVKGMLPHNTLGRAQGMKLKVFVGGGEHTHAAQQPEVLDI

10 Sbjct: 120 GLKSTAGELRSKNAVRLEIEKSVKGMLPHNTLGRAQGMKLKVFVGGGEHTHAAQQPEVLDI 179

Query: 178 SGLI 181
SGLI

Sbjct: 180 SGLI 183

15 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 171

A DNA sequence (GBSx0177) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 571> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 572>. This protein is predicted to be 30S ribosomal protein S9 (rpsI). Analysis of this

20 protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 53
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

25 ----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1761(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

30 >GP:CAB11926 GB:Z99104 ribosomal protein S9 [Bacillus subtilis]
Identities = 88/130 (67%), Positives = 105/130 (80%)

Query: 1 MAQAQYAGTGRRKNAVARVRLVPGTGKITINKKDVEEYIPHADLRLVINQPFVAVTSTQGS 60
MAQ QY GTGRRK++VARVRLVPG G+I +N +++ E+IP A L I QP +T T G+

35 Sbjct: 1 MAQVQYYGTGRRKSSVARVRLVPGEGRIVVNNREISEHIPSAALIEDIKQPLTLTETAGT 60

Query: 61 YDVFVNIVGGGYAGQSGAIRHGISRALLEVDPDFRDSLKRAGLLTRDARMVERKKPGLKK 120
YDV VNV GGG +GQ+GAIRHGI+RALLE DP++R +LKRAGLLTRDARM ERKK GLK

40 Sbjct: 61 YDVLNVNHGGGLSGQAGAIRHGIARALLEADPEYRTTLKRAGLLTRDARMKERKKYGLKG 120

Query: 121 ARKASQFSKR 130
AR+A QFSKR

Sbjct: 121 ARRAPQFSKR 130

45 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 573> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 574>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 56
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

50 ----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1865(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

55 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 124/130 (95%), Positives = 129/130 (98%)

Query: 1 MAQAQYAGTGRRKNAVARVRLVPGTGKITINKKDVEEYIPHADLRLVINQPFVAVTSTQGS 60

MAQAQYAGTGRRKNAVARVRLVPGTGKIT+NNKDVVEEYIPHADLRL+INQPFVAVTST+GS
 Sbjct: 1 MAQAQYAGTGRRKNAVARVRLVPGTGKITVNNKDVVEEYIPHADLRLIINQPFVAVTSTEGS 60

Query: 61 YDVFVNVVGGGYAGQSGAIRHGISRALLEVDPDFRDSLKRAGLLTRDARMVERKKPGLKK 120
 YDVFVNVVGGGY QQSGAIRHGI+RALL+VDPDFRDSLKRAGLLTRDARMVERKKPGLKK
 Sbjct: 61 YDVFVNVVGGGYGGQSGAIRHGIARALLQVDPDFRDSLKRAGLLTRDARMVERKKPGLKK 120

Query: 121 ARKASQFSKR 130
 ARKASQFSKR
 Sbjct: 121 ARKASQFSKR 130

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 172

A DNA sequence (GBSx0178) was identified in *S. agalactiae* <SEQ ID 575> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 576>. This protein is predicted to be recombinase (b1345). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 43
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1939(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAG29618 GB:AF217235 integrase-like protein [Staphylococcus aureus]
 Identities = 127/386 (32%), Positives = 205/386 (52%), Gaps = 18/386 (4%)

Query: 3 IHKYPSSKAKNGYLYFVKIYMVKD---SQRADHIKRGFRTRKEAKDYEARLIYLKASGKL 59
 I KY K Y++ Y+ D ++ +RGF+T +EAK EA+L +
 Sbjct: 2 IKKYKKKGSTAYMFVA--YLGTDPITGKQKRTTRRGFKTEREAKIAEAKL---QTEVSQ 56

Query: 60 EEFIKPTHKTYNEIFEKQYQYQDMVEPTTASRTLDMFRLHILPVMGDLPIKISPLDCQ 119
 F+ T+ E++E W + YQ+ V +T R L +F IL D+PI KI+ CQ
 Sbjct: 57 NGFLNNDITTFKEVYELWLEQYQNTVRETTYQVLTLEFDTAILEHFDQVPIKKITVPYCQ 116

Query: 120 NFITDKAKTFKNIKQIKSYTGKVFDFAIKMKLLKHNPMMAEIIIMPKRKKTRIE---NYWTV 176
 I K + +IK I+ YT VF +A+ +K++ NP A P++K+ + + Y++
 Sbjct: 117 KVINKWNKKYSIDKAIIRIYTSNVFKYAVSLKIIVDNPFHTKAPRKKEAQDASTKYYS 176

Query: 177 QELQEFLAIVLQEEPYKHYALFRLLAYSGLRKGELYALKWADIDFQTETLSVDKSLGR-L 235
 EL++FL V E+ +YA+FR LA++G R+GEL AL W DIDF +T+S++K+ R
 Sbjct: 177 DELKQFLTFV--EDDPLYAIFRTLAFTGFRRGELMALTWNDIDFTKQTISINKTCARGA 234

Query: 236 DGQAIEKGTKNDFSVRKIKLDSETISILQEWKSSISQKEKAQLAVAPLSIEQDFLFTYCTR 295
 + + + + K S R I +D +T S+L+ W++ + E + S + +FT
 Sbjct: 235 NYKLVIQEPKTKSSHTTISIDDKTASVLKSWRTHQVRVESLKYG-HNTSDKHQHVFTTVRD 293

Query: 296 SGSIEPLHADYINNVLRSRIIRKHGLKKISPHGFRHATHLMIEIGVDPVNTAKRLGHASS 355
 + +PL+ ++ N L I K+ K+I HGFRH +L+ E G+ RLGH
 Sbjct: 294 N---KELYPEHCNKALDLICEKNSFKRIKVHGFRHTHCSLLFEAGLSIQEVQDRLGHGDI 350

Query: 356 QMTLDITYSHSTTTGEDRSVKQFADYL 381
 + T+D Y+H T D+ +FA Y+
 Sbjct: 351 KTTMDIYAHVTEKQDQVADKFAKYI 376

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S. pyogenes* <SEQ ID 577> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 578>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 39

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

5 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3445(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

10 Identities = 109/386 (28%), Positives = 185/386 (47%), Gaps = 28/386 (7%)

Query: 3 IHKYPSSKKAINGYL-YFVKIYMVKDSQRADHIKRGF--RTRKEA--KDYEALRIYLKASG 57
 I K K KNG + Y IY+ D +K RTRKE K A+ +L
 Sbjct: 6 IMKITEHKKINGTIVYRASIIYLGIDQMTGKRVKTSITGRTRKEVQKAKHAQDFLSNGS 65

15 Query: 58 KLEEFIKPTHKTYNEIFEKQYQAYQDMVEPTASRTLDMFRLHILPVMGDLPIISKISPLD 117
 ++ K KT+ E+ W + Y+ V+P T T+ HI+P +G++ + KI+ D
 Sbjct: 66 TIKR--KVIKTFKELSHLWLETYKLTVKPQTYDATVTRLNRHIMPTLGNMKVDKITASD 123

20 Query: 118 CQNFITDKAKTFKNIKQIKSYTGKVFDFAIKMKLLKHNPMABIIIMPKRK---KTRINIYW 174
 Q I +K + N ++S KV + + L+ +N +II+P+++ K +++ +
 Sbjct: 124 IQMLINRLSKYYVNYTAVRSVIRKVLQOGVLLGLIDYNSARDIILPRKQPNAKKKVK-FI 182

25 Query: 175 TVQELQEFILAIVLQEEPYKHY-----ALFRLLAYSGLRKGELYALKWADIDFQTETLSV 228
 +L+ FL L+ +K Y L++LL +GLR GE AL+W DID + T+++
 Sbjct: 183 DPSDLKSFLE-HLETSQHKKRYNLYFDAVLYQLLSTGLRIGEACALEWGDIDLENGTIAI 241

30 Query: 229 DKSLGRLDGQAIEKGTKNDFSVRKIKLDSETISILQEWKSIQKEKAQLAVAPLSIEQDF 288
 +K+ + K R I +D +T+ L+ + Q + QL + +
 Sbjct: 242 NKTYNK--NLKFLSTAKTQSGNRVISVDKKTLRLSK---LYQMRQQLFNEVGARVSEV 295

35 Query: 289 LFTYCTRSGSIEPLHADYINNVLRSRIIRKHGLKKISPHGFRHATHATLMIEIGVDFVNTAK 348
 +F TR + +A + L ++ G+++ + H FRHHA+L++ G+
 Sbjct: 296 VFATPTR----KYFNASVRQSALDTRCKEAGIERFTFHAFRHTHASLLLNAGISYKELQY 351

 Query: 349 RLGHASSQMTLDTYSHSTTTTGEDRSV 374
 RLGHA+ MTLDTY H + E +V
 Sbjct: 352 RLGHANISMTLDTYGHLSKGKEKEAV 377

40 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 173

A DNA sequence (GBSx0179) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 579> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 580>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

45 Possible site: 61
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

50 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2477(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

55 >GP:AAF63067 GB:AF158600 putative DNA binding protein
 [Streptococcus thermophilus bacteriophage Sfil1]
 Identities = 32/70 (45%), Positives = 46/70 (65%), Gaps = 3/70 (4%)

 Query: 3 NRLKELRKDKGLTQADLAKVINTNQSQYQYENGKTSLSIENSKILADFFGVSIPIYLLGL 62
 NRL LR+ + +T+ +LA+ I ++ K E+G + +S +K LADFFGVSV+ YLLGL
 60 Sbjct: 2 NRLYLLRESRKITRVELAEKIGVSKLTIVLKLHGTSKISRREAKKLADFFGVSVGYLLGL 61

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Query: 63 D---NNSKIA 69
 D N+S IA
 Sbjct: 62 DTTENDSLIA 71

- 5 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 581> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 582>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 30
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

- 10 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0680 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

- 15 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 21/61 (34%), Positives = 34/61 (55%)

- Query: 1 MYNRLKELRKDKGLTQADLAKVINTNQSQYGYENGKTSLSIENSKILADFFGVSIPLYL 60
 MY R++ LR+D TQ +A +++ + + Y K E G+ +L + + VSI YLL
 20 Sbjct: 1 MYPRIRNLRDNDFTQKFVANLLSFHANYAKIERGEVALMADVLVQFYKLYNVSIDYLL 60

 Query: 61 G 61
 G
 25 Sbjct: 61 G 61

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 174

- A DNA sequence (GBSx0180) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 583> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 584>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 29
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

- 35 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.5278 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

- 40 No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 175

- A DNA sequence (GBSx0181) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 585> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 586>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 60
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

- 50 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3762 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

5 Example 176

A DNA sequence (GBSx0182) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 587> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 588>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 59
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
10  INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -9.66    Transmembrane    40 - 56 ( 33 - 65)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -5.79    Transmembrane    62 - 78 ( 59 - 81)

----- Final Results -----
15      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4864(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

20 A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8505> and protein <SEQ ID 8506> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Lipop: Possible site: -1    Crend: 7
McG: Discrim Score:    -16.96
GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -2.95
Possible site: 57
25  >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
ALOM program    count: 2 value: -9.66 threshold: 0.0
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -9.66    Transmembrane    33 - 49 ( 26 - 58)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -5.79    Transmembrane    55 - 71 ( 52 - 74)
    PERIPHERAL  Likelihood = 10.87      14
30  modified ALOM score: 2.43

*** Reasoning Step: 3

----- Final Results -----
35      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4864(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

40 Example 177

A DNA sequence (GBSx0183) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 589> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 590>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 31
45  >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3276(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
50

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The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

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No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 178

- 5 A DNA sequence (GBSx0184) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 591> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 592>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 44
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

10 ----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3482(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

- 15 A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9509> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9510> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAA30291 GB:X07371 RepM protein (AA 1 - 314) [Staphylococcus aureus]
20 Identities = 89/283 (31%), Positives = 145/283 (50%), Gaps = 26/283 (9%)
Query: 67 KVS L D N I T M T A Y I K S K K Y L A M K Q L I E T H L A I T V Q T A M T D M F R A T T G D G I H V V L H M N Y D K Q 126
K+S D +T+ + + I + + F+A + +++ YDK
Sbjct: 42 K L S F D A M T I V G N L N K N S A K K L S D F M S L D P Q I R L W D I L Q T K F K A K A --- L Q E K V Y I E Y D K V 98
25 Query: 127 K G Q D R K A R P F R L E F N P N K L R L V D S E I I --- D T I I P F L E D I S I R A D L A F D L F E V D C S E F - 182
K R R+E F N P N K L E++ I I ++E D +R D L A F D F E D S ++
Sbjct: 99 K A D T W D R R N M R V E F N P N K L -- T H D E M L W L K H N I I D Y M E D D G F T R L D L A F D - F E D D L S D Y Y 155
30 Query: 183 - V L E K K G R P T A T K E F R S T G T L E T K Y L G A P R S E K Q V R L Y N K K K E Q L Q N G T D K D K D F A S Q F 241
+ E K + T F +T G E T K Y G+ S + +R+Y N K K E+ +N D D +++
Sbjct: 156 A L S E K A L K R T V --- F F G T T G K A E T K Y F G S R D S N R F I R I Y N K K K E R K E N A --- D V D V S A E - 208
35 Query: 242 K H W R L E F Q L R S R S I D E I F E V I - D T I I F K P -- F N L K G L S I E T Q I Y L T A L I H D K N I W K K L H 298
H W R +E +L+ +D D I K P L+ L + +Y L L+H+++ W +L H
Sbjct: 209 - H L W R V E I E L K R D M V D Y W N N C F N D L H I L K P A W A T L E S L K E Q A M V Y L -- L L H E E S K W G E L H 265
Query: 299 R N T R A R Y K K I L E T H Q T S D T D Y L G L L K D L L K H E R P R L E N Q L A Y Y 341
R N +R +Y K +I++ + S D L+K L L+ Q+ ++
40 Sbjct: 266 R N S R R K Y K Q I I Q -- E I S S I D L T D L M K S T L T D N E E N L Q K Q I N F W 306

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

45 Example 179

- A DNA sequence (GBSx0185) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 593> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 594>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 32
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
50 INTEGRAL Likelihood =-15.55 Transmembrane 137 - 153 (133 - 157)

----- Final Results -----
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.7220(Affirmative) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8507> and protein <SEQ ID 8508> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

SEQ ID 8508 (GBS405) was expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 171 (lane 4; MW 46kDa – 2 bands) and in Figure 177 (lane 7; MW 46kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 76 (lane 5; MW 21kDa).

GBS405-GST was purified as shown in Figure 218, lane 8.

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 180

A DNA sequence (GBSx0186) was identified in *S. agalactiae* <SEQ ID 595> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 596>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 18

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

10 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3406(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

15 >GP:CAA33713 GB:X15669 pre protein (AA 1-494) [Streptococcus
 agalactiae]
 Identities = 171/402 (42%), Positives = 250/402 (61%), Gaps = 46/402 (11%)

20 Query: 1 MSYVVARMAKYKSGQLTAIYNHNERIFKNHSNKEIDVEKSHLNYELTNRDQAQNYHKQIK 60
 MSY+VARM K K+G L + HNER+F+ HSNK+I+ +SHLNYELT+RD++ +Y KQIK
 Sbjct: 1 MSYVVARMQKMKAGNLGGAFKHNERVFEHNSNKDINPSRSHLNYELTDRLRSVSYEKQIK 60

 Query: 61 EHINENRLSTRGVKDAILCNEWIITSDKTFDFSLDEKQTRFEFFETAKDYFAEKYGDANI 120
 +++NEN++S R +RKDA+LC+EWIITSDK FF+ LDE+QTR FFETAK+YFAE YG++NI
25 Sbjct: 61 DYVNENKVSRAIRKDAVLCDEWIITSDKDFFEKLDEEQTRTFEETAKNYFAENYGESNI 120

 Query: 121 AYARVHLDSTPHMHLGIVPMKNGKLSSKALFCNKEKLVAIQDELPKYLNEHGFNLORGE 180
 AYA VHLDESTPHMH+G+VP +NGKLSSKA+F ++E+L IQ++LP+Y+++HGF L+RG+
 Sbjct: 121 AYASVHLDSTPHMHMGVVPFENGKLSSKAMP-DREELKHIQEDLPRYMSDHGFELER GK 179

30 Query: 181 IGSKKIKHLETAEPFKEKQRLLDNADRKLADKHEELKALDDKISNV-NDTIA----- 229
 + S+ KH AEFK ++ +L +K+ +D++ + NDT A
 Sbjct: 180 LNSEAKHKTVAEFKRAMADME-LKEELLEKYHAPPFVDERTGELNNDTEAFWHEKEFADM 238

35 Query: 230 -DKESRLKEL---EAKEWDAVGDLKQYELEKQSLAESIEDIKDIELLQLDRIQKEDLVKQ 285
 + +S ++E E +W KQY+ E + L S + ++D D E+L+ +
 Sbjct: 239 FEVQSPIRETTNQEKMMDWLR---KQYQEELKKLESSKKPLED-----DLSHLEELLDK 288

 Query: 286 SFDGKLKMDKETYNRLFQTASKHASSNAELKRDVLVKAQSQNNHLSRELLNHRKTAENIK 345
 +K+D E AS+ AS +L KA+ N L NH K+ E I+
40 Sbjct: 289 KTKEYIKIDSE-----ASERAS-----ELSKAEGYINTLE----NHSKSLEAKIE 329

 Query: 346 LSQENRKLKDKVKMLDEQVKILNKSLSVWKEKAKEFMPKQVY 387
 + + +K K + K LN+S + K F+ K+ Y
45 Sbjct: 330 CLESDNLQLEKQKATKLEAKALNESELEKPKPKNFGKEHY 371

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S. pyogenes* <SEQ ID 597> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 598>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

LPXTG motif: 2025-2030

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Possible site: 52

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

55 INTEGRAL Likelihood =-10.08 Transmembrane 2034 -2050 (2030 -2053)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -6.05 Transmembrane 21 - 37 (20 - 39)

----- Final Results -----

60 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5034(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

>GP: AAD03320 GB: AF067776 extracellular matrix binding protein
[Abiotrophia defectiva]

5 Identities = 362/1396 (25%), Positives = 591/1396 (41%), Gaps = 87/1396 (6%)

Query: 636 KA EVKLKEAHEATKQAIEKDPWLSPEQKKAQKEKAKARLDEGLKALKKAADSLEILKVTEE 695

+A+ + A +A AI+ + L+ E+K A+K K +A + L + A K T

10

Sbjct: 636 EAKNAVNNAAKAKNTAIDNNNNLTAEKAAEKAKVEAAKNATLAGIDQA-----KTTAA 689

Query: 696 AFVDKEKNPDSIPNQHKAGTADQARKQALDSLDEKVEQKELESIDNDNTLTDEKAAAKKK 755

+ K I + A A AL+ + ++ I LT +EK A +

Sbjct: 690 RNAAQNKGTTDINAVNPVPVAKPAANAALAE---QA AVNKINEISQRPDLTREEKQAFMDQ 746

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Query: 756 VNDAYDVAKQTAMEANSYEDLTITIKDEFLS---NLPHKQGTPLKDDQSDAIAELEKKQQE 812

V A D A A + + +T+ +D+ L+ NLP TP + +A+ + +

Sbjct: 747 VRTARDAAMAKVASAANNQAVTSARDQGLNAVNNLP----TPAA-KYPEALGHVRQAADA 801

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Query: 813 IEKAI EGDKTLPRDEKEKQIADSKERLKSDTQKVKDAKNADAIKKAFEEGKVNIPQAHIP 872

+AI + L +E+ + + + KA +G I

Sbjct: 802 KRQAIRDNANLTAE EQADALRQVDAQAQTAAEAAINQNHNTATLAKADSDGVKAI----- 855

Query: 873 GD LN--KDKEKLLAELKQKADDTEKAIDVDKTLTEDEKKEQKVTKAELEKAKTDVKNT 929

D+N + K L+Q A +AI+ + LT++EK + + L AKT V+

25

Sbjct: 856 NDINPQPRSKPAANQALEQVAAAKRQAINNNQLTDEEKAQAIQQVDQALANAKTQVQAA 915

Query: 930 QTREELDKKVP ELKKAIEDTHVKG NLEGVKNKAIEDLKKAH TETVAKINGDDTL D KATKE 989

+++ AI + + +G K +AI ++ A ++ G + L +

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Sbjct: 916 NDNNGVNVQAKTAGTTAINNINPQGTQ---KAQAIAAIEAAEQAKRLELQGRNDLTTEERN 972

Query: 990 AQVKEADKALAAAGKDAITKADDADK VSTAVTEHTPKIAAHKTGDLKKAQVDANTALDKA 1049

+ + A KDA+ +A + V+ A +I+ + T +K DA A+D+A

Sbjct: 973 NALADLTAKAQA AKDAVNQARNNTGVAGAKDNGVAQIQGINPTAVVKP---DARNAIDQA 1029

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Query: 1050 AEKERGEINKDATLT TTDKAKQLKEVETALTKAKDNVKA AKTADAIN DARDKGVATIDAV 1109

A + E + LT E+KA +K+V+ A AK + A + +N+A ++G A I A+

Sbjct: 1030 ARDKEAEFQANTKLTDEEKA AAIKKVQDAARDAKAAIDRAGSNGDVNNAVNGKAAIQAI 1089

40

Query: 1110 HKAGQDLGARKSGQVAKLEEA AKTKDKISADPTLTSKEKEEQSKAVDAELKKAIEAVNA 1169

+ K A ++ AA A K I+A+ LT +EK K V+ E KA AV+A

Sbjct: 1090 KALDDSQPSAKDTAKAAIQNAADAKKAAITANNALTQE EKA AAIKQVEDEAKAQA AVDA 1149

Query: 1170 ADTADKVD DALGEGVTDIKNQHKSGDSIDARREAHGKELDRVAQETKGAIEKDPTLTTEE 1229

+ + VD A +G+ I + ++ + +D+ A + K I D TLT EE

45

Sbjct: 1150 SRSKADVDRAKDQGLQKISDV---PAVQPPKLNAAVDAQAATDKKAVINNDTTLTQEE 1205

Query: 1230 KAKQVKD VDAAKERGM AKLNEAKDADALDKAYGEGVTDIKNQHKSGDPVDARRGLHNKSI 1289

K ++ VD + +N+A + +G I N ++ A + ++

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Sbjct: 1206 KEAAIRKVDEEAAKARQAINDATSNADVAAKQAQGTQAINNVFQT----PAAKNAAKAAV 1261

Query: 1290 DEVAQATKDAITADTTLTEAEKETQRGNVDKEATKAKEELAKADADALDKAYGDGVTSI 1349

++ A A K AI D LT EK+ VD+E KA++ + A + +G +I

Sbjct: 1262 EQAADAKKQAIENDPNLTRQEKDAAIAKVDQETNKARQAIDAATTNADVTAQN EGTQAI 1321

55

Query: 1350 KNQHKSGKGLDVRKDEHKKALEAVAKRVTAIEADPTLTPEVREQQKAEVQKELELATDK 1409

++ K K + K A+ A+ + IE DP LT E ++ KA+V E A +

Sbjct: 1322 NAVPQTPKA---KTDKNAVTAQAEDKKS A IENDPNLTREEKDAAKAKVD AEATKAKNA 1377

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Query: 1410 IAEAKDADEADKAYGDGVTAIENAHVIGKIEARKDLAKDLAEAAAKTKALIIEDKTLT 1469

I A D+ +G AI + + + +A+ D AK + +AA + K I D LT

Sbjct: 1378 IDAATSNDDETAKQNEGTQAI---NAV PQT PKAKTD-AKNAVTAQADRKKDAIENDPNLT 1433

Query: 1470 DDQRKEQLLGVDTEYAKGIENIDAAKDAAGVDKAYS DGVRDILAQYKEGQNLNDRRNAAK 1529

+++ VD E K + IDAA A V ++G + I + + AK

65

Sbjct: 1434 REEKVAAKAKVD AEAKKAKDAIDAATSNADVTAQN EGTKAI---NDVPQTPTAKTDAK 1489

Query: 1530 EFLLKEADKVTKLINDPTLTHDQKVDQINKVEQAKLDAIKSVDDAQ TADAINDALGKGI 1589

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+ + AD I DP LT ++K KV+ A ++D A + + +G
 Sbjct: 1490 NAVTQAADAKKDAIEKDPNLTREEKDAAKAKVDAAEAKKAKDAIDAATSNADVTAQNENGT 1549
 Query: 1590 ENINNQYQHGDGVDRKATAKGDLEKEAAKVKALIAKDPTLTQADKDKQTAAVDAKNTA 1649
 + IN+ Q K AK + + A K I KDP LT+ +KD A VDA A
 Sbjct: 1550 KAINDVQPQ----TPTAKTDAKNAVTAQADAKKDAIEKDPNLTREEKDAAKAKVDAAEAKKA 1605
 Query: 1650 IAAVDKATTTTEGINQELGKGITAINKAYRPGEVGVKARKEAAKADLEKEAAKVKALITNDP 1709
 A+D AT+ + + G AIN + K AK + + A K I ND
 Sbjct: 1606 KDAIDAATSNADVTAQKDAGKNAINAVPQ----TPTAKTDAKNAVTAQADAKKDAIENDA 1661
 Query: 1710 TLTKADK-AKQTEAVAKALKAAIAAVDKATTABEGINQELGKGITAINKAYRPGEVGVKARK 1768
 LT+ +K A + + A+A KA A+D AT+ + + +G AIN + K
 Sbjct: 1662 NLTREEKDAAKAKVDAAEATKAK-NAIDAATSNADVTAQNENGTKAINDVQPQ----TPTAK 1716
 Query: 1769 EAAKADLEREAAKVREAIANDPTLTADK-AKQTEAVAKALKAAIAAVDKATTABEGINQE 1827
 AK +++ A + AI NDP LT+ +K A + + A+A KA A+D AT+ + +
 Sbjct: 1717 TDAKNAVDAQATDKKSAIENDPALTREEKDAAKAKVDAAEATKAK-NAIDAATSNADVTAQ 1775
 Query: 1828 LGKGITAINKAYRPGEVGVKAAKANLEKVKETKALISGDRYLSETEKAVQKQAVEQ 1887
 G AIN + K AK +++ A + KA I D L+ EK K V+
 Sbjct: 1776 KDAGKNAINAVPQ----TPTAKTDAKNAVDAQATDKKAAIENDPALTREEKDAAKAKVDA 1831
 Query: 1888 ALAKALGQVEAAKTVEAVKLAENLGTVAIRSAYVAGLAKDTQATAALNEAKQAIEALK 1947
 KA ++AA + V ++ G KD A AK A A+
 Sbjct: 1832 EAKKAKDAIDAATSNADVTAQKDAG-----KDAINAVPQTPTAKTDAKNAV 1878
 Query: 1948 QAAETLAKITTDKLTAEQKAEQSENVSLALKTAIATVRSASQSIASVKEAKDKGITAIR 2007
 QAA + + I D LT +K V KA + +A S A V + +G AI
 Sbjct: 1879 QAATDKKSAIENDPALTREEKDAVAKAKVDAAEAKKAKDAIDAATSNADVTAQTEGTQAIN 1938
 Query: 2008 AAYVPNKAVAKSSSAN 2023
 A VP AK+ + N
 Sbjct: 1939 A--VPQTPTAKTDAKN 1952
 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:
 Identities = 77/396 (19%), Positives = 157/396 (39%), Gaps = 48/396 (12%)
 Query: 42 LNYELTNRDQAQNYHKQIKEHINENRLSTRGVRKDAILCNEWIITSKTFPDSLDEKQTR 101
 L++E+ + ++QN K+I + + D E+I K +++ EK T
 Sbjct: 338 LDFEILH-PRSQNVSKKISKQVEAKPF-----DPASYKEKVIKLPVYEATSEKITN 389
 Query: 102 EFF--ETAKDYFAEKYGDANIAYARVHLDESTPHMHLGIVPMKNGKLSSKALFG--NKEK 157
 + + E AKD +K + I+ G V + +A+ NK
 Sbjct: 390 DAWLDENAKDLQKQKLEEQYIS-----GKVAISEAGTKQEAIDAAYNKYS 434
 Query: 158 LVAIQDELPHYLNHGFNLQRGEIGSKKKHLETAEFKEKQRLLDN---ADRLADKHEEL 214
 D LP + N + + ++ ++T + K D K K E L
 Sbjct: 435 SQTDPDSLPSQYKQG--NKENEQEKGRQDLIQTRDLTLKAIQEDKWLTEQEKTIQKEAL 492
 Query: 215 KALDDKISNVNDTIADKESRLKELEAKEDWAVGDLKQYE-----LEKQSLAESIE 264
 KA + I +VN T++ ++ + + + K + + K+Y EK+ A E
 Sbjct: 493 KAFETGIESVNTQVSLEQLKQRLIVYKASEKDSEKKEYPESIPNQHIPGKEKEVKAQKE 552
 Query: 265 DIKDIELQLLDRIQKEDLVKQSFQDGKLMKDETYNRLFQTASKHASSNAELKRDVLVKAQS 324
 ++K + L++I ++ + + E + Q A K A + +L+ DL S
 Sbjct: 553 ELKKLHDTTLEKINQDKWLTPDQQAQQLKQAEVTFKKGQRAIKSAQTLTQLETDLADYVS 612
 Query: 325 QNNHLSRELLNHRKTAENIKLSQENRKLKDKVKMLDEQVK----ILNKSLSVWKEKAKE 380
 +N + + K+ K+ +++ KKK+ + + ++ + + KEKAK
 Sbjct: 613 ENEGKGNISIPDKYKSGNKDDLVNKAIEVKLKEAHEATKQAIKDPWLSPEQKKAQKEKAKA 672
 Query: 381 FMPKQVYRETLTIINTLNPIGLAKTAIRQVKMVD 416
 + + + + L ++L + + + A +K DS
 Sbjct: 673 RLDEGL--KALKAADSLEILKVTEEAFVDKEKNPDS 706

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 181

5 A DNA sequence (GBSx0187) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 599> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 600>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

```
Possible site: 42
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
10      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2544(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
```

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

15 No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 182

20 A DNA sequence (GBSx0188) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 601> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 602>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

```
Possible site: 57
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
25      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2045(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
```

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

30 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 603> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 604>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

```
Possible site: 57
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

35      ----- Final Results -----
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2045(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
```

40 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

```
Identities = 102/111 (91%), Positives = 107/111 (95%)

Query: 1 MDYKKYQIIYAPDVLEKLKEIRDYISQNYSSSTSGQHMEQIISDIEKLEVPFVGVGFDAD 60
      +DYKKYQIIYAPDVLEKLKEIRDYISQNYSSSTSGQ KMEQIISDIEKLEVPFVGVGFDAD
45 Sbjct: 1 LDYKKYQIIYAPDVLEKLKEIRDYISQNYSSSTSGQRKMEQIISDIEKLEVPFVGVGFDAD 60

Query: 61 KYGSKISKYHSTRGYTLKDYIVLYHIEEENRVVIDYLLPTRSDYMKLFK 111
      KYGSKI YHST+GYTLKDYIVLYHIE EENR+VIDYLLPT+SDY+KLFK
Sbjct: 61 KYGSKIHYHSTKGYTLKDYIVLYHIEEENRIVIDYLLPTQSDYIKLFK 111

50
```

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 183

A DNA sequence (GBSx0189) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 605> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 606>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 13
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

```

----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1621(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

```

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 607> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 608>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 22
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

```

----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1596(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

```

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

```

Identities = 91/95 (95%), Positives = 93/95 (97%)

Query: 1  MVTAEKNRAVTFQANKELVSEAMTVLNKKNLTLSSALRLFLQNVVVTNEVDLLTEEELEK 60
          M T +KNRAVTFQANKELVSEAMTVLNKKNLTLSSALRLFLQNVVVTNEVDLLTEEELEK
Sbjct: 1  MTTVKKNRAVTFQANKELVSEAMTVLNKKNLTLSSALRLFLQNVVVTNEVDLLTEEELEK 60

Query: 61  EKLFKQFQAEINKNIEDVRQGKFYTSSEVRSELGL 95
          EKLFKQFQAEINKNIEDVRQGKFYTSSEVR+ELGL
Sbjct: 61  EKLFKQFQAEINKNIEDVRQGKFYTSSEVRAELGL 95

```

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 184

A DNA sequence (GBSx0190) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 609> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 610>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 56
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

```

----- Final Results -----
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.4568(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

```

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9513> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9514> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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>GP:CAA46375 GB:X65276 ORFA1 [Clostridium acetobutylicum]
Identities = 36/91 (39%), Positives = 51/91 (55%)

Query: 2  MSQIKLTPEELRISAQKYTTGSQSITDVLTVLTQEQAVIDENWDGTAFDSEAFQFNELSP 61
5      M+QI +TPEEL+  AQ Y    + I    +    + I E W G AF ++  Q+N+L
Sbjct: 1  MAQISVTPEELKSQAQVYIQSKEEIDQAIQKVNMSNSTIAEEWKGAFAQAYLEQYNQLHQ 60

Query: 62  KITQFAQLLEDINQQLKLVADVVEQTDSIDIA 92
      + QF  LLE +NQQL K AD V + D+  A
10     Sbjct: 61 TVVQFENLLESVNQQLNKYADTVAERDAQDA 91

```

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

15 Example 185

A DNA sequence (GBSx0191) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 611> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 612>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

```

Possible site: 21
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.4523(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
20      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

```

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

30 Example 186

A DNA sequence (GBSx0192) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 613> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 614>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

```

Possible site: 44
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.5339(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
35      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

```

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 187

A DNA sequence (GBSx0193) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 615> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 616>. This protein is predicted to be chromosome assembly protein. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

```

5      Possible site: 61
      >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

      ----- Final Results -----
10      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.4620(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

```

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

15 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 188

A DNA sequence (GBSx0194) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 617> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 618>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

```

20      Possible site: 46
      >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

      ----- Final Results -----
25      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.4511(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

```

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

30 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 189

A DNA sequence (GBSx0195) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 619> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 620>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

```

35      Possible site: 20
      >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

      ----- Final Results -----
40      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.5249(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

```

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

45 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 190

A DNA sequence (GBSx0196) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 621> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 622>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

```

Possible site: 14
5  >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3542 (Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
10     bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

```

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9515> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9516> was also identified.

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

15 No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 191

20 A DNA sequence (GBSx0197) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 623> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 624>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

```

Possible site: 15
      >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
25     bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3098 (Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

```

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

30 No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 192

35 A DNA sequence (GBSx0198) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 625> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 626>. This protein is predicted to be rgg protein. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

```

Possible site: 59
      >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
40     bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3177 (Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

```

45 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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>GP:AAA26968 GB:M89776 rgg [Streptococcus gordonii]
Identities = 74/277 (26%), Positives = 142/277 (50%)

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5
 Query: 7 IFREFRLNRQFSLKQVASNELSVSOLSRFERGESDLSLTKFLGALEAIDLSISEFMDRVN 66
 I + R ++ SLK+VA+ ++SV+QLSR+ERG S L++ F L + +S++EF +
 Sbjct: 10 ILKIIRESKNMSLKEVAAGDISVAQLSRYERGISLTVDSFYSLCRNMSVSLAEFYQYVH 69

10
 Query: 67 KYQKSDQISLMSQMAQYHYQRDVAGLEKMSISVEEGKLKDDSSDIRCLNIVLFRGMICEC 126
 Y+++D + L ++++ + ++ LE +++ E ++ +LN ++ R + C
 Sbjct: 70 NYREADDVVLSQKLSEAQRENNIVKLESILAGSEAMAQEFPEKKNYKLNITIVIRATLTSC 129

15
 Query: 127 DSSRKMSSEEDLCFLSDYLFQKDSWEISDYILIGNLYRYYNTRHICQLVKEVINQKEYYRD 186
 + ++S+ D+ FL+DYLF + W + L N + E+IN+ ++Y +
 Sbjct: 130 NPDYQVSKGDIEFLTDYLFVSVEBWGRYELWLFNTSVNLLTLETLETFASEMINRTQFYNN 189

20
 Query: 187 IYTNRNVEATLLNVVETLIERRALEEATFFLEKVEALLNNERNAYHRIILLYEKGFLAY 246
 + NR + LLNVV IE L+ A FL ++ E + Y R+++ Y K +Y
 Sbjct: 190 LPENRRRIKMLLNVSACIENHQLQVAMKFLNYIDNTKIPETDLYDRVLIKYHKALYSY 249

25
 Query: 247 AKGDSRGIQSMKQAIFCFQAIGSKHHVENFQEHFNRV 283
 G+ ++Q + F+ + S +E F R+
 Sbjct: 250 KVGPHARHDIEQCLSTFEYLDSEFGVARKLKEQFERI 286

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 627> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 628>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

25
 Possible site: 29
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

30
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3792(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 79/275 (28%), Positives = 146/275 (52%), Gaps = 11/275 (4%)

35
 Query: 9 REFRINRQFSLKQVASNELSVSOLSRFERGESDLSLTKFLGALEAIDLSISEFMDRVNKY 68
 R R +Q S+ +A LS SQ+SRFERGES+++ ++ L L+ ++++I EF+ +K
 Sbjct: 15 RRLRKGKQVSISFLADEYLSKSQISRFERGESEITCSRLNLLDKLNTITDEFVSAHST 74

40
 Query: 69 QKSDQISLMSQMAQYHYQRDVAGLEKMSISVEEGKLKDDSSDIRCLNIVLFRGMICECD 128
 + +L+SQ + + +++V L K++ + KD R + +LF DS
 Sbjct: 75 H-THFFTLLSQARKCYAEKNVVKLTLL---KDYAHKDYE--RTMIKAILF-----SIDS 123

45
 Query: 129 SRKMSEEDLCFLSDYLFQKDSWEISDYILIGNLYRYYNTRHICQLVKEVINQKEYYRDIY 188
 S S+E+L L+DYLF+ + W + IL+GN R+ N + L KE++ Y
 Sbjct: 124 SIAPSQEELTRLTDYLFKVEQWGYEIIILLGNCSRFMNYNTLFLTKEMVASFAYSEQNK 183

50
 Query: 189 TNRNVEATLLNVVETLIERRALEEATFFLEKVEALLNNERNAYHRIILLYEKGFLAYAK 248
 TN+ +V +N + I+ E + + + K++ LL +E N Y + + LY G+ +
 Sbjct: 184 TNKMLVTQLSINCLIIISIDHSCFEHSRYLINKIDLLRLDELNFYEKTVFLYVHGYYKLKQ 243

55
 Query: 249 GDSRGIQSMKQAIFCFQAIGSKHHVENFQEHFNRV 283
 + G + M+QA+ F+ +G +++EH+ ++
 Sbjct: 244 EEMSGEEDMRQALQIFKYLGEDSLYYSYKEHYRQI 278

55 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 193

60 A DNA sequence (GBSx0199) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 629> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 630>. This protein is predicted to be permease. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 15

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -8.07	Transmembrane	217 - 233 (215 - 238)
	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -7.96	Transmembrane	163 - 179 (158 - 185)
5	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -7.75	Transmembrane	71 - 87 (69 - 91)
	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -7.22	Transmembrane	369 - 385 (356 - 389)
	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -5.15	Transmembrane	279 - 295 (275 - 299)
	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -4.88	Transmembrane	252 - 268 (250 - 270)
	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -4.78	Transmembrane	140 - 156 (139 - 157)
10	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -3.56	Transmembrane	343 - 359 (340 - 367)
	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -3.13	Transmembrane	40 - 56 (39 - 56)
	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -2.28	Transmembrane	94 - 110 (92 - 112)

----- Final Results -----

15	bacterial membrane	--- Certainty=0.4227(Affirmative) < succ>
	bacterial outside	--- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
	bacterial cytoplasm	--- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

20	>GP:AAD36408 GB:AE001788 permease, putative [Thermotoga maritima]	
	Identities = 97/396 (24%), Positives = 194/396 (48%), Gaps = 15/396 (3%)	
	Query: 1	MNINGIKLLSSRAVSKLGDVFDYDGNSTWIASMGLGQKILGIYQIVELLVSVLNPFGG 60
		MN N + S VS +G Y + W+ S G + + G++ I L +I+++PF G
25	Sbjct: 1	MNRNLLLFASGSFVSLIGTRIQVALAWWLYSKTGSSEYV-GLFMISSEFLPAIIVSPFAG 59
	Query: 61	ALADRFQRRKILLITDAICAIM---CFLLSFIGDDKVMVYGLIVANAILAVSNFSSPAY 117
		+ DR RR +++ D + ++ FL+ + + + + L++ +++V ++F +PA
30	Sbjct: 60	TVVDRHSRRNMVMDILRGVLFMYLFLMEYFSELTMAL--LLIVTVLVSFDSFFNPAV 117
	Query: 118	KSYIPEIVDKADIITYNANLETIVQIISVSSPVLGFLIFNNFGIRITLIVDAITFLISFL 177
		S +P++V K +++ N+ + + + P LG L+ G+ ++++++FLIS +
	Sbjct: 118	DSLPLDLVRKENLVRANSLYRLLKNLSKILGPALGSLLLKVVGLAGVILINSLSFLISGI 177
35	Query: 178	FLYAIKVERVQLSKQEKVAIKNILADIADGFTYIKKEKEIMFFLIIAALLNTFLAMPNYL 237
		F IKVE L K K +N+ DI YI+ + I+ +++ A++N F + L
	Sbjct: 178	FEMFIKVEEHLKKVSKE--RNMWQDIKSALLYIRSVRFILVTILVIAIMNFFTGSMHVL 235
40	Query: 238	LP-FTNSLLKTS GAYATILSISAIGSIIGALIARKI--KSSINSMLMLVFSSLGVIIVMG 294
		LP + L K+ Y T++S+ + G +I + I ++S+ ++ LV L V V
	Sbjct: 236	LPEHVS KLKSEWVYGTLMMSLSFGGLIVTFIMATIRTRASVKTLGLNLVGYGLAVFVFA 295
	Query: 295	FPSLFELPIWIPYSGSFLNSLLTMFNIHFFSQVQIRVDEAYMGRVMSTIFTIAIMFMPI 354
		W+ ++ FL T+FNI+ + +Q+ + E G++ S I ++ +P+
45	Sbjct: 296	MTGNH---WLMFAMYFLIGIFQTLFNINVITLLQLAIPEEMRGKIFSLISAVSFSLPV 351
	Query: 355	GTLFMTIFS FALSNVSFIVIGCAIAILGGLGFSYSK 390
		F S ++ + I GG+ S +
50	Sbjct: 352	SYGFFGFLSSYVATAHIFITTSMALIAGGVLISLQR 387

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 631> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 632>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 45

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

55	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -8.17	Transmembrane	172 - 188 (161 - 194)
	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -8.07	Transmembrane	220 - 236 (218 - 242)
	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -7.22	Transmembrane	311 - 327 (303 - 329)
	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -5.26	Transmembrane	98 - 114 (96 - 118)
	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -4.99	Transmembrane	347 - 363 (342 - 370)
60	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -4.62	Transmembrane	154 - 170 (151 - 171)
	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -4.25	Transmembrane	284 - 300 (281 - 306)
	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -3.66	Transmembrane	378 - 394 (378 - 396)
	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -3.56	Transmembrane	74 - 90 (73 - 92)
65	INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -2.39	Transmembrane	50 - 66 (49 - 66)

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----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4270 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

>GP:AAD36408 GB:AE001788 permease, putative [Thermotoga maritima]
 Identities = 85/345 (24%), Positives = 171/345 (48%), Gaps = 8/345 (2%)

10

Query: 40 SLSLVAVYQSLESVIGVLFNLFPGVVIADSFKRKKIITTNILCGTACLVLSFLTKEQWLV 99
 S V ++ + ++ + F G + D R+ +++ +IL G + L + L
 Sbjct: 36 SSEYVGLFMISFLPAIIVSPFAGIVVDRHSRRNMVMVDILRGVLFMYLFLMEYFSELT 95

15

Query: 100 YAIVL-TNVILAFMSAFSSPSYKAFTKEIVKKDSISQLNSLLETTSTVIKVTVPVMAIFL 158
 A++L V+++ +F +P+ + ++V+K+++ + NSL + K+ P + L
 Sbjct: 96 MALLLIIVTVLVSVDFFNPDAVDSLLPDLVRKENLVRANSYRLLKNLSKILGPALGSL 155

20

Query: 159 YKLGIGHVLLDGLSFLIAALLISFILPVNDEVVIKEKVTIREIFNDLKIGFKYVYSHK 218
 K++G+ GV+L++ LSFLI+ + FI +E +K+ R ++ D+K Y+ S +
 Sbjct: 156 LKVVGLAGVILINSLSFLISGIFEMFIKV--EEKHLKKVSKERNMQDIKSALLYIRS 213

25

Query: 219 SIFIITVLSALVNFFLAAYNLLLPSYNQMFGIEISTGLYGTFLTAEAGGFIGAILSGFVN 278
 I + ++ A++NFF + ++LLP G+ S +YGT ++ + GG I L +
 Sbjct: 214 FILVTILVIAIMNFFTGSMHVLLPEHVS KL GK-SEWVYGTILMSMLSFGGLIVTFLMATIR 272

30

Query: 279 KELSSMRLLILFLSLSGLMLMLAPPFYIMFHNAIILALSPALFSLFLSIFNIQFFSLVQKD 338
 S L L L GL + + + M N ++ L +F ++FNI +L+Q
 Sbjct: 273 TRASVKTGLGLNLVGYGLAVFV---FAMTGNHWMFAMYFLIGIFQTLFNINVITLLQLA 328

Query: 339 VDNDFLGRVFGIIFTITILFMPIGTGFFSVALNPNNNSFNLFIIGS 383
 + + G++F +I ++ +P+ GFF + + ++FI S
 Sbjct: 329 IPEEMRGKIFSLISAVSFSLLPVSYGFFGFLSSYVATAHIFITTS 373

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

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Identities = 136/379 (35%), Positives = 229/379 (59%), Gaps = 6/379 (1%)

40

Query: 8 LLSSRAVSKLGDVFDYDGNSTWIASMGLGQKILGIYQIVELLVSVILNPFPGALADRQ 67
 L+ S+ + ++GDV +D+ N+T++A + ++ +YQ +E ++ ++ N FGG +AD F+
 Sbjct: 11 LVYSKVIYRIGDVMFDFANNTFLAGLNPASLSLVAVYQSLESVIGVLFNLFPGVVIADSF 70

45

Query: 68 RRKILLITDAICAIMCFLLSFIGDDKVMVYGLIVANAILAVSNAPSSPAYKSYIPEIVDK 127
 R+KI++ T+ +C C +LSF+ ++ +VY +++ N ILA +AFSSP+YK++ EIV K
 Sbjct: 71 RKKIITTNILCGTACLVLSFLTKEQWLVYAIVLTNVILAFMSAFSSPSYKAFTKEIVKK 130

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Query: 128 ADIITYNANLETIVQIISVSPVLGFLIFNNFGIRITLIVDAITFLISFLFLYAIKVERV 187
 I N+ LET +I V+ P++ ++ GI L++D ++FLI+ L + I
 Sbjct: 131 DSISQLNSLLETTSTVIKVTVPVMAIFLYKLLGIGHVLLDGLSFLIAALLISFILPVND 190

Query: 188 QLSKQEKVAIKNILADIADGFTYIKKEKEIMFFLIIAALLNTFLAMFNLLPFTNSLLK- 246
 ++ +EKV I+ I D+ GF Y+ K I +++AL+N FLA +N LLP++N +
 Sbjct: 191 EVVIKEKVTIREIFNDLKIGFKYVYSHKSIFIITVLSALVNFFLAAYNLLLPSYNQMFG 250

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Query: 247 -TSGAYATILSISAIGSIIGALIARKIKSSINSMLSLVFSLSLGIVVMGFPS---LFELP 302
 ++G Y T L+ AIG IGA+++ + ++SM +L S G+++M P +F
 Sbjct: 251 ISTGLYGTFLTAEAGGFIGAILSGFVNKELSSMRLLILFLSLSGLMLMLAPPFYIMFHNA 310

60

Query: 303 IWIPYSGSFLFNSLLTMFNIHFFSQVQIRVDEAYMGRVMSTIFTIAIMFMPIGTFLMTIF 362
 I + S + LF+ L++FNI FFS VQ VD ++GRV IFTI I+FMPIGT F ++
 Sbjct: 311 IILALSPA-LFSLFLSIFNIQFFSLVQKDVNDNFLGRVFGIIFTITILEFMPIGTGFFSVA 369

Query: 363 SPALSNVSFVIGCAIAIL 381
 ++ + +IG I L
 Sbjct: 370 LNPNNNSFNLFIIGSCITTL 388

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 194

A DNA sequence (GBSx0200) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 633> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 634>. This protein is predicted to be membrane permease OpuCD. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 46
>>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -5.68    Transmembrane    91 - 107 ( 88 - 110)
10    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -4.30    Transmembrane    15 - 31 ( 9 - 37)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -3.72    Transmembrane    72 - 88 ( 72 - 88)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -3.19    Transmembrane    124 - 140 ( 123 - 142)

----- Final Results -----
15    bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.3272(Affirmative) < succ>
    bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
    bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 8509> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 8510> was also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Lipop: Possible site: -1    Crend: 1
McG: Discrim Score: -10.69
GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -3.79
Possible site: 39
25    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
ALOM program    count: 5 value: -9.02 threshold: 0.0
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -9.02    Transmembrane    35 - 51 ( 25 - 53)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -5.68    Transmembrane    151 - 167 ( 148 - 170)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -4.30    Transmembrane    75 - 91 ( 69 - 97)
30    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -3.72    Transmembrane    132 - 148 ( 132 - 148)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -3.19    Transmembrane    184 - 200 ( 183 - 202)
    PERIPHERAL    Likelihood = 2.17    58
modified ALOM score: 2.30

35    *** Reasoning Step: 3

----- Final Results -----
    bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4609(Affirmative) < succ>
    bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
40    bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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>GP:AAF91342 GB:AF249729 membrane permease OpuCD [Listeria monocytogenes]
Identities = 104/154 (67%), Positives = 133/154 (85%)
45    Query: 3    IANVIQTIPSLAMISIIIMGLGLGIKTIVVATVFLYSLLPITNTYTGIRNVDSDLLDAK 62
    IAN+IQTIIP+LAM++++ML+GLG TVV ++FLYSLLPIT+ NTYTGIRNVD LL++ K
    Sbjct: 60    IANIIQTIPALAMLAVMLIMGLGTNTVVLSTFLYSLLPILKNTYTGIRNVGDALLES GK 119

50    Query: 63    GGMGTRQRQLFMVELPLSISVIMAGLRNALVVAIGITAIGAFVGGGGLGDIIRGTNATN 122
    MGMTK Q L ++E+PL++SVIMAG+RNALV+AIG+ AIG FVG GGLGDII+RGTNATN
    Sbjct: 120    AMGMTKQVLRLLIEMPLALSVIMAGIRNALVIAIGVAAIGTFVGAGGLGDIIVRGTNATN 179

55    Query: 123    GGAIILAGSLPTALMAIFSDLIILGGIQRMLEPRK 156
    G AIILAG++PTA+MAI +D++LG ++R L P K
    Sbjct: 180    GTAIILAGAIPAVMAILADVLLGWVERTLNPVK 213

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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 635> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 636>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 49

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

5 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -9.24 Transmembrane 39 - 55 (31 - 59)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -7.17 Transmembrane 190 - 206 (188 - 211)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -4.62 Transmembrane 93 - 109 (75 - 110)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -3.66 Transmembrane 76 - 92 (75 - 92)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -2.87 Transmembrane 221 - 237 (220 - 237)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -2.44 Transmembrane 168 - 184 (165 - 184)

10 ----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4694(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

15 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

>GP:AAD45530 GB:AF162656 choline transporter [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
 Identities = 344/508 (67%), Positives = 425/508 (82%), Gaps = 2/508 (0%)

20 Query: 13 MPSLFVTFQNRFNELIALGEHLQISLLSLMIALLIGVPLAALLSRSKRWSDIMLQVTGV 72
 M +L TFQ+RF++WL AL +HLQ+SLL+L++A+L+ +PLA L ++ +D +LQ+ G+
 Sbjct: 1 MTNLIATFQDRFSDWLTALSQHLQLSLLTLLLAILLAIPLAVFLRYHEKLADWVLQIAGI 60

25 Query: 73 FQTIPSLALLGLFIPLMGIGITLPAVTALVIYAIFPILQNTITGLNGIDPSLVEAGIAFGM 132
 FQTIPSLALLGLFIPLMGIGITLPA+TALVIYAIFPILQNTITGL GIDP+L EAGIAFGM
 Sbjct: 61 FQTIPSLALLGLFIPLMGIGITLPAALTALVIYAIFPILQNTITGLKGIDPNLQEAGIAFGM 120

30 Query: 133 TKWERLKTFEIPIAMPVIMSGVRTSAVMIIGTATLASLICAGGLGSFILLGIDRNNANLI 192
 T+WERLK FEIP+AMPVIMSG+RT+AV+IIGTATLA+LICAGGLGSFILLGIDRNN+LI
 Sbjct: 121 TRWERLKKFEIPLAMPVIMSGIRTAAVLLIIGTATLAALIGAGGLGSFILLGIDRNNASLI 180

35 Query: 193 LIGAISSALLAIIFNSSLQYLEKASLRIMISFGITLIALASYTPMALSQFSKKGDTTV 252
 LIGA+SSA+LAI FN LL+ +EKA LR I F + L L SY+P L Q K K+ +V
 Sbjct: 181 LIGALSSAVLAIAFNFLKVMKAKLRTIFSGFALVALLGLSYSPALLVQ--KEKENLV 238

40 Query: 313 SSSLRDKPPLSNDPKQVYEDAKKGIAKQDKLTLLKPFAYQNTYAVAMPEKLAKEYQIETI 372
 SLL+ P +S++P+QVY+ A+ GIAKQD L LKP +YQNTYAVA+P+K+A+EY ++TI
 Sbjct: 299 ESLLQPSPKVSHEPEQVYQVARDGIAKQDHLAYLKPMSYQNTYAVAVPKKIAQEYGLKTI 358

45 Query: 373 SDLKAHADTLKAGFTLEFKDRADGYKGMQSQYGLQLSVATMEPALRYQAIQSGDIQVTD 432
 SDLK LKAGFTLEF DR DG KG+QS YGL L+VAT+EPALRYQAIQSGDIQ+TDA
 Sbjct: 359 SDLKKVEGQLKAGFTLEFNDREDGNKGLQSMYGLNINVATIEPALRYQAIQSGDIQITDA 418

50 Query: 433 YSTDAEITKYHLKVLKDDKQLFPPYQGAPLMKTSLLTKHPPELKGILNQLAGKITEKEMQD 492
 YSTDAE+ +Y L+VL+DDKQLFPPYQGAPLMK +LL KHPEL+ +LN LAGKITE +M
 Sbjct: 419 YSTDAELERYDLQVLEDDKQLFPPYQGAPLMKEALLKKHPELERVLNFLAGKITESQMSQ 478

Query: 493 MNYEVSVKGADANKVARDYLLKTLGIQK 520
 +NY+V V+G A +VA+++L + GL+++K
 Sbjct: 479 LNYQVGVEGSAKQVAKFLQEQGLLKK 506

55 An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 53/148 (35%), Positives = 93/148 (62%), Gaps = 1/148 (0%)

60 Query: 3 IANVIQTIPSLAMISIIIMGLGLGIKTVVATVFLYSLLPITNTTYTGIRNVDSDLLDAK 62
 + V QTIPSLA++ + + +G+G V + +Y++ PI+ NT TG+ +D L++A
 Sbjct: 69 VTGVFQTIPSLALLGLFIPLMGIGITLPAVTALVIYAIFPILQNTITGLNGIDPSLVEAGI 128

Query: 63 GMGMTKRQRLFMVELPLSISVIMAGLRNALVVAIGITAIGAFVGGGGLGDIIRGTNATN 122
 GMTK +RL E+P+++ VIM+G+R + V+ IG + + +G GGLG I+ G + N
 Sbjct: 129 AFGMTKWERLKTFEIPIAMPVIMSGVRTSAVMIIGTATLASLICAGGLGSFILLGIDRNN 188

65 Query: 123 GGAIILAGSLPTALMAIFSDLLILGGIQR 150

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+IL G++ +AL+AI + +L +++
 Sbjct: 189 AN-LILIGAIISSALLAIIFNILLQYLEK 215

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for
 5 vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 195

A DNA sequence (GBSx0201) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 637> which encodes the amino acid
 sequence <SEQ ID 638>. This protein is predicted to be choline transporter-related. Analysis of this protein
 sequence reveals the following:

10 Possible site: 44
 >>> May be a lipoprotein
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -3.03 Transmembrane 306 - 322 (306 - 327)
 ----- Final Results -----
 15 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.2211(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9517> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9518>
 20 was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAB15386 GB:Z99121 glycine betaine/carnitine/choline ABC
 transporter (osmoprotectant-binding protein) [Bacillus subtilis]
 Identities = 168/303 (55%), Positives = 224/303 (73%), Gaps = 1/303 (0%)
 25 Query: 2 LKKSHFLQIFTLCLALLTISGCQLTDTKKSGHTTIKVAQSSSTESSIMANIITELIHHEL 61
 + K +L F L +L + GC L + TIK+ AQS TES I+AN+I +LI H+
 Sbjct: 1 MTKIKWLGAFAFVFMVL-LGGCSLPGLGASDDTIKIGAQSMTESEIVANMIAQLIEHDT 59
 30 Query: 62 GYNTTLISNLGSSSTVTHQALLRGDADIAATRYTGTDTITGLGLKAVKDPKEASKIVKTEF 121
 NT L+ NLGS+ V HQA+L GD DI+ATRY+GTD+T TLG +A KDPK+A IV+ EF
 Sbjct: 60 DLNTALVKNLGSNYVQHQAMLGGDIDISATRYSGTDLTSTLKEAEKDPKKALNIVQNEF 119
 35 Query: 122 QKRYNQTYPTYGFSPTYAFVMVTKFARQNKITKISDLKKLSTTMKAGVDSSWMNREGDG 181
 QKR++ W+ +YGF +TYAF VTK+FA + I +SDLKK ++ K GVD++W+ R+GDG
 Sbjct: 120 QKRFSYKWFDSYGFNTYAFVTYTKFAEKEHINTVSDLKKNASQYKLGVDNAWLKRKGDG 179
 40 Query: 182 YTDFAKTYGFEFESHIPMQIGLVYDAVESNKMQSVLGYSTDGRISYDLEILRDDKKFFP 241
 Y F TYGFEF YPMQIGLVYDAV++ KM +VL YSTDGRI +YDL+IL+DDK+FFP
 Sbjct: 180 YKGFVSTYGFEGFTTYPMQIGLVYDAVKNKMDAVLAYSTDGRIKAYDLKILKDDKRFFP 239
 45 Query: 242 PYEASMVVNNSIISKDPKLKLLHRLDGKINLKTMONLNYMVDKLEPSVVAQFLEKN 301
 PY+ S V+ ++K+ P+L+ ++++L G+I+ +TMQ LNY VD KL EPSVVAQ+FLEK+
 Sbjct: 240 PYDCSPVIEKVLKEHPELEGVINKLIGQIDTETMQELNYEVDGKLKPSVVAKEFLEKH 299
 Query: 302 HYF 304
 HYF
 Sbjct: 300 HYF 302

50 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for
 vaccines or diagnostics.

A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8511> and protein <SEQ ID 8512> were also identified. Analysis of this
 protein sequence reveals the following:

55 Lipop: Possible site: 22 Crend: 5
 McG: Discrim Score: 10.26
 GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -4.19

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Possible site: 44
>>> May be a lipoprotein
ALOM program    count: 0 value:    8.65 threshold:  0.0
PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 8.65      66
modified ALOM score: -2.23

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bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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56.3/75.4% over 287aa

15 EGAD|109208| glycine betaine/carnitine/choline ABC Insert characterized
SP|032243|OPCC EACSU GLYCINE BETAINES/CARNITINE/CHOLINE-BINDING PROTEIN PRECURSOR
(OSMOPROTECTANT-BINDING
PROTEIN). Insert characterized
GP|2635894|emb|CAB15386.1||Z99121 glycine betaine/carnitine/choline ABC transporter
20 (osmoprotectant-binding protein) Insert characterized
PIR|E69670|E69670 glycine betaine/carnitine/choline ABC transporter (osmoprotec) opuCC -
Insert characterized

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25 ORF01181[349 - 1212 01 1924]
EGAD[109208][BS3376(15 - 302 of 303) glycine betaine/carnitine/choline ABC {Bacillus
subtilis} SP|O32243|OPCC_BACSU GLYCINE BETAINE/CARNITINE/CHOLINE-BINDING PROTEIN PRECURSOR
(OSMOPROTECTANT-BINDING PROTEIN). GP|2635894|emb|CAB15386.1||Z99121 glycine
betaine/carnitine/choline ABC transporter (osmoprotectant-binding protein) {Bacillus
subtilis} PIR|E69670|E69670 glycine betaine/carnitine/choline ABC transporter (osmoprotec)
30 opuCC - Bacillus subtilis
%Match = 33.5
%Identity = 56.2 %Similarity = 75.3
Matches = 162 Mismatches = 71 Conservative Sub.s = 55

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40      402      432      462      492      522      552      582      612
LTDTKKSGHTTIKVAAQSSSTESSIMANITELIHHELGYNTTLISNLGSSVTVHQALLRGDADIAATRYTGTDTITGLGL
|       :   |||: ||| ||| |:||: |::| :   || |: |||: | |||: || |||: |||: |||
45    LPLGLGGASDDTIKIGAQSMTSEIVANMIAQLIEHDTDLNLTALVKNLGSNYVQHQAMLGGDDISATRYSGETDLTSLTGLK
           40             50             60             70             80             90            100

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882 912 942 972 1002 1032 1062 1092
FAKTYGFEFSHIYPMQIGLVYDAVESNKMQSVLGYSTDGRISSYDLLEILRDDKKFFPFPEASMVVNNSIIKKDPKLKKILL
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | : | : | | | | | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | : | :
FVSTYGFEFGTTPMQIGLVYDAVKNGKMDAVLAYSTDGRIKAYDKLKKDDKRFFFPFYDCSPVIEPKVLKEHPELGVI

200 210 220 230 240 250 260

65 SEQ ID 8512 (GBS23) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 14 (lane 8; MW 35kDa).

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The GBS23-His fusion product was purified (Figure 194, lane 9) and used to immunise mice. The resulting antiserum was used for Western blot (Figure 251). These tests confirm that the protein is immunoaccessible on GBS bacteria.

Example 196

- 5 A DNA sequence (GBSx0202) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 639> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 640>. This protein is predicted to be membrane permease OpuCB (opuBB). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 34
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
10  INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -9.66    Transmembrane  25 - 41 ( 18 - 45)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -7.96    Transmembrane  182 - 198 ( 174 - 202)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -4.83    Transmembrane   61 - 77 ( 57 - 95)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -4.09    Transmembrane   78 - 94 ( 78 - 95)
15  INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -1.22    Transmembrane  134 - 150 ( 134 - 150)

----- Final Results -----
        bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4864(Affirmative) < succ>
        bacterial outside  --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
20  bacterial cytoplasm  --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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>GP:AAF91340 GB:AF249729 membrane permease OpuCB [Listeria
    monocytogenes]
Identities = 121/208 (58%), Positives = 160/208 (76%)
25  Query: 1  MVNFLSQYGMQILVKTWEOVYISFFAIALGIAIAVPLGVVLTFRPKVAKIIIIAASMLQT 60
    +V F + G +LV+TW+ ++IS A+ LGIA+AVP G++LTR PKVA +I + S+LQT
    Sbjct: 4  IVTFPQENGHNLLVQTWQHFLFISLSAVILGIAVAVPTGILLTRSPKVANFVIGVSVLQT 63

30  Query: 61  IPSLALLALMIPLFGIGKIPAIVAFIYSLLPILRNTYIGMNNVNPTLKDCAKGMGMKPI 120
    +PSLA+LA +IP G+G +PAI+ALFIY+LLPILRNT+IG+ V+ L + +GMGM
    Sbjct: 64  VPSLAAILAFIIPFLGVGTLPAILALFIYALLPILRNTFIGVRGVDKNLIESGRGMGMINW 123

35  Query: 121 QSIFQVELPLATPIIMAGIRLSSTIYVIAWATLASYGAGGLGDLIFSGNLNFQSKLILGG 180
    Q I VE+P + +IMAGIRLS +YVIAWATLASYGAGGLGD IF+GLNL++ LILGG
    Sbjct: 124 QLVNVEIFPNSISVIMAGIRLSAVYVIAWATLASYGAGGLGDFIFGNLNLRYRDLILGG 183

40  Query: 181 TIPVILSLIIDYLLGLLETALTPTTR 208
    IPV IL+L++++ LG LE LTP+ R
    Sbjct: 184 AIPVTILALVVEFALGKLEYRLTPKAIR 211

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A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8513> and protein <SEQ ID 8514> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Lipop: Possible site: -1    Crend: 0
45  McG: Discrim Score:      -9.08
    GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -1.86
    Possible site: 37
    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
ALOM program    count: 5 value: -8.60 threshold: 0.0
50  INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -8.60    Transmembrane  25 - 41 ( 18 - 45)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -7.96    Transmembrane  182 - 198 ( 174 - 202)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -4.83    Transmembrane   61 - 77 ( 57 - 95)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -4.09    Transmembrane   78 - 94 ( 78 - 95)
55  INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -1.22    Transmembrane  134 - 150 ( 134 - 150)
    PERIPHERAL  Likelihood = 2.70      156
    modified ALOM score: 2.22

*** Reasoning Step: 3

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----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.4439(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

ORF01825(301 - 927 of 1233)
 GP|9651976|gb|AAF91340.1|AF249729_2|AF249729(4 - 212 of 218) membrane permease OpuCB
 {Listeria monocytogenes}
 %Match = 30.2
 %Identity = 57.9 %Similarity = 79.9
 Matches = 121 Mismatches = 42 Conservative Sub.s = 46

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117 147 177 207 237 267 297 327
 STCF*YLKTY*FLCYGRRLT*KYC*AYFKTWFKIRSSC*P*E*LKGHCYSCIPS*YVIRYYLGRY*NGGSIMVNFLSQYG
 :| |: :|
 MDAIVTFFQENG
 10

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357 387 417 447 477 507 537 567
 MQILVKTWQVYISFFAIALGIAVAVPXGVVLTFRPKVAKIIIAIASMLQTIPSLALLALMIPLEFGIGKIPAIVALFIYS
 :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :|
 HNLLVQTWQHLFISLSAVILGIAVAVPTGILLTRSPKVANFVIGVSVLQTVPSLAILAFIIPFLGVGTLPAILALFIYA
 30 40 50 60 70 80 90

25

597 627 657 687 717 747 777 807
 LLPILRNNTYIGMNNVNPTLKDCAKGMGMKPIQSIFQVELPLATPIIMAGIRLSTIYVIAWATLASYGAGGLGDLIFSGL
 :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :|
 LLPILRNNTFIGVRGVDKNLIESGRGMGMNTNWQLIVNVEIPNSISVIMAGIRLSAVYVIAWATLASYGAGGLGDFIFNGL
 110 120 130 140 150 160 170

30

837 867 897 927 957 987 1017 1047
 NLFQSKLILGGTIPVILSLIIDYLLGLLETALTPTTRREA*ICLNRTFYRYLHFA*PS*RFLVVN*PIKSLVIPQL
 :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :| |: :|
 NLYRFDLILGGAIPVTILALVVEFALGKLEYRLTPKAIREAREGGE
 190 200 210

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 197

40 A DNA sequence (GBSx0203) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 641> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 642>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 46
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

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----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3531(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

50 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAF91339 GB:AF249729 ATPase OpuCA [Listeria monocytogenes]
 Identities = 230/380 (60%), Positives = 298/380 (77%), Gaps = 4/380 (1%)

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Query: 6 IIEYQNINKVY-GENVAVEDINLKIYPGDFVCFIGTSGSGKTTLMRMVNHMLKPTNGTLL 64
 ++++++ K Y G AV D+ L I G+FVCFIG SG GKTT M+M+N +++PT G +
 Sbjct: 1 MLKFEHVTKTYKGGKAVNDLTLNLDKGEFVCFIGPSGCGKTTTMMINRLIEPTGKIF 60

Query: 65 FKGDISTINPIELRRRIGYVIQNI GLMPHMTIYENIVLVPKLLKWSEEAKRAKARELIK 124
 KDI +P++LRR IGYVIQ IGLMPHMTI ENIVLVPKLLKWSEE K+ +A+ELIK

60

Sbjct: 61 INDKDIMAEDPVKLRRSIGYVIQNI GLMPHMTIRENIVLVPKLLKWSEEKKQERAKARELIK 120

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Query: 125 LVELPEEYLD RYPSEL SGGQQORIGVIRALAADQDIILMDEPFGALDPITREGIQDLVKS 184
 LV+LPEE+LDRYP EL SGGQQORIGV+RALAA+Q++ILMDEPFGALDPITR+ +Q+ K+
 Sbjct: 121 LVDLPEEF LDRYPYEL SGGQQORIGVLRALAAEQNLILMDEPFGALDPITRDSLQEEFKN 180

5 Query: 185 LQEE MGKTIILVTHDMDEALKLATKIIVMDNGKMQVEGTPNDLLHHPATSFVEQMIGEER 244
 LQ+E+GKTII VTHDMDEA+KLA +I++M +G++VQ TP+++L +PA SFVE IG++R
 Sbjct: 181 LQKELGKTIIFVTHDMDEAIKLADRIVIMKDGEIVQFDTPEILRNPNANSFVEDFIGKDR 240

10 Query: 245 LLHAQADITPVKQIMLNPNVSITAECTILTEAITLMRQKRVDLSLVTDNGKLI-GFIDLES 303
 L+ A+ D+T V QIM NPVSITA+K+L AIT+M++KRVD+LLV D G ++ GFID+E
 Sbjct: 241 LIEAKPDVTQVAQIMNTNPVSITADKSLQAAITVMKEKRVDTLLVVDENVLKGFIDVEQ 300

15 Query: 304 LSSKYKDR LVS DILKHTDFYVMEDDLRLNTAERILKGLKYAPVVDHNNLKGIVTRAS 363
 + + V DI++ FYV ED LLR+T +RILK G KY PVVD + L GIVTRAS
 Sbjct: 301 IDLNRRTATSVMDIIEKNVFYVEDTLLRDTVQRILKRGYKYPVVDKDKRLVGIVTRAS 360

Query: 364 LVDMLYDIWGDTE--TEDQ 381
 LVD++YD IWG E TE+Q
 Sbjct: 361 LVDIVYDSIWGTLEDATENQ 380

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A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 643> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 644>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 39
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

25 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3619(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 102/237 (43%), Positives = 165/237 (69%), Gaps = 1/237 (0%)

35 Query: 6 IIEYQNINKVYGENVAVEDINLKIYPGDFVCFIGTSGSGKTTLMRMVNHMLKPTNGTLLF 65
 +I + N++K +G+ +++ +I +F +G SGSGKTTL++M+N +++P++G +L
 Sbjct: 1 MIRFNNVSKTFGQTKVLQEQTFFQINDREFFVLVGPSSGSGKTTLLKMINCLIEPSSGDILL 60

40 Query: 66 KGKDISTINPIELRRRIGYVIQNI GLMPHMTIYENIVLPKLLKWSSEEAKRAKARELIKL 125
 + ++ E+R IGYV+Q I L P++T+ ENI ++P++ +WS E R K EL+
 Sbjct: 61 NNVPQT ELDLREMLSIGYVLQQIALFPNLTVAENIATIPEMKQWSAEBIRQKTEELLDK 120

45 Query: 126 V ELP-EEYLD RYPSEL SGGQQORIGVIRALAADQDIILMDEPFGALDPITREGIQDLVKS 184
 V LP ++YLD RYPS+LSGG+QORIG++RA+ + I+LMDEPF ALDPI+R+ +Q+L+ S
 Sbjct: 121 VGLPAKDYLD RYPSDL SGGEGQORIGIVRAIISHEPKILMDEPF S ALDPI SRKQLQEMLLS 180

Query: 185 LQEE MGKTIILVTHDMDEALKLATKIIVMDNGKMQVEGTPNDLLHHPATSFVEQMIG 241
 L +E TI+ VTHD+DEA+KL ++ +++ G++VQ P + HPA +FV + G
 Sbjct: 181 LHKEFDMTIVFVTHDIDEAIKLGDRVAILNEGEIVQLDRPEMIKTHPANAFVNVNLF 237

50 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 198

A repeated DNA sequence (GBSx0212) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 645> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 646>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

55 Possible site: 24
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

60 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.4736(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

- 5 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 199

A DNA sequence (GBSx0213) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 647> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 648>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

10 Possible site: 38
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -1.06 Transmembrane 18 - 34 (18 - 34)
 ----- Final Results -----
 15 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1426 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

- 20 A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8515> and protein <SEQ ID 8516> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Lipop: Possible site: 20 Crend: 5
 Sequence Pattern: CQMN
 SRCFLG: 0
 25 McG: Length of UR: 19
 Peak Value of UR: 2.60
 Net Charge of CR: 3
 McG: Discrim Score: 7.77
 GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -4.89
 30 Possible site: 25
 >>> May be a lipoprotein
 Amino Acid Composition: calculated from 21
 ALOM program count: 0 value: 13.21 threshold: 0.0
 PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 13.21 115
 35 modified ALOM score: -3.14
 *** Reasoning Step: 3
 ----- Final Results -----
 40 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

45 ORF01527(346 - 465 of 1095)
 EGAD|7398|7198(2 - 41 of 47) lysis protein for colicin e9 precursor {Escherichia coli}
 EGAD|41475|43808 lysis protein { } SP|P13344|LYS5_ECOLI LYSIS PROTEIN FOR COLICIN E5
 PRECURSOR. GP|40543|emb|CAA33861.1||X15857 lysis protein (AA 1-47) {Enterobacteriaceae}
 50 GP|144373|gb|AAA98053.1||M30445 colicin release protein {Plasmid ColE5-099}
 PIR|JQ0330|JQ0330 colicin E5 lysis protein precursor - Escherichia coli plasmid ColE5-099
 %Match = 3.7
 %Identity = 35.0 %Similarity = 52.5
 Matches = 14 Mismatches = 19 Conservative Sub.s = 7
 55 135 165 195 225 255 285 315 345
 YIYFFHCRIYIIININY*FN*GI*NIQMIFCLHVTKTKIKIRENFVILKLIL*CW*IIVNFIIYLIYKIYILRKENMMR

Example 202

A DNA sequence (GBSx0216) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 653> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 654>. This protein is predicted to be lectin, alpha subunit precursor. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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5   Possible site: 47
    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

    ----- Final Results -----
10      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0653(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

15 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 203

A DNA sequence (GBSx0217) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 655> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 656>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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20   Possible site: 41
    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

    ----- Final Results -----
25      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.6569(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

30 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 204

A DNA sequence (GBSx0218) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 657> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 658>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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35   Possible site: 27
    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

    ----- Final Results -----
40      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.5736(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

```

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

45 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 205

A DNA sequence (GBSx0219) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 659> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 660>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 52
5  >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood ==-13.11    Transmembrane  146 - 162 ( 138 - 170)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood ==-12.90    Transmembrane   13 - 29 (   9 - 32)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -9.50     Transmembrane  108 - 124 ( 104 - 129)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -7.75     Transmembrane   40 - 56 (  33 - 61)
10  INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -6.64     Transmembrane  177 - 193 ( 170 - 195)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -3.35     Transmembrane   77 - 93 (  77 - 97)

----- Final Results -----
15      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.6243(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 8517> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 8518> was also identified.

20 The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 206

25 A DNA sequence (GBSx0220) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 661> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 662>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 37
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

30 ----- Final Results -----
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2374(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

35 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:
    >GP:AAB89623 GB:AE000990 repressor protein [Archaeoglobus
      fulgidus]
      Identities = 34/62 (54%), Positives = 46/62 (73%)

40 Query: 11 LKQVREDIGMTQQELAIRIGVRRRETIGHLENNRYNPSLEMALKIVKIFDMKIEDIFQLRK 70
      +K+ R    MTQ+ELA R+GVRRETI LE +YNPSL++A KI ++F+ KIEDIF +
      Sbjct: 5 IKEFRAKFNMTQEEELAKRVGVRRETIVFLEKGKYNPSLKLAYKIARVFNAKIEDIFIFDE 64

      Query: 71 ED 72
45      E+
      Sbjct: 65 EE 66

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There is also homology to SEQ ID 412.

50 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

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Example 207

A DNA sequence (GBSx0221) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 663> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 664>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

```

Possible site: 36
5  >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3794(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
10     bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

```

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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>GP:CAB61817 GB:AL133236 putative acetyl transferase [Streptomyces
      coelicolor A3(2)]
15  Identities = 30/97 (30%), Positives = 52/97 (52%), Gaps = 1/97 (1%)

Query: 82  VGMLNIVTLARADMQWGEIGYVFHNQFWSNGYAFESILALLNSTYEKLGPHHIEAQITPG 141
      VGM ++   +   Q GE+ Y+ H + W G E   +LL+   +++ G H I A P
Sbjct: 72  VGMGDLHVRSHQTQRQ-GEISYIVHPRVWGQIGTEIGRSLLSLGFDWRGLHRIRATCDPR 130

20  Query: 142  NERSEKLVRRGLGLTYETTRKDFSFENGKWTDKLIYSI 178
      N+ S +++ +LG+TYE   +   ++   W D L++SI
Sbjct: 131  NQASSRVLTKLGMTYEGRHRHTAWIRDGWRDSLVSFSI 167

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25 No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 208

30 A DNA sequence (GBSx0222) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 665> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 666>. This protein is predicted to be p20 protein. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

```

Possible site: 44
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

35  ----- Final Results -----
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1044(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

```

40 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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>GP:CAA30415 GB:X07542 P20 (AA 1-178) [Bacillus licheniformis]
      Identities = 56/175 (32%), Positives = 94/175 (53%), Gaps = 6/175 (3%)

45  Query: 16  TVLTERLRQLQPVELTNVNDLFLEFSSDSETVFYMQRYKANTVEEAQVVLVLA---NVCMSPL 72
      T+ TERL L+ +EL + +   ++ SD E   YM   V +A+ ++   ++ ++
Sbjct: 3  TLYTERLTLRKMELEDADVLCQYWSDEPVTKYMNITPFTDVSQARDMIQMINDLSELEGQA 62

Query: 73  GIYAMIEKESQKMIGIIELEIRDEFSS--AEFGYILNKNYNGKGYMTEACSKLMSIGFEHL 130
      +++I KE+ ++IG   + D+ + AE GY L +N+ GKG+ +EA KL+ GF L
50  Sbjct: 63  NRFSIIVKETDEVIETCGFNMDQENGRAEIGYDLGRNHWGKGFAEAVQKLIDYGFTSL 122

Query: 131  DLERIYARFDINNKKSGNVMERIGMKKEGELRHLAKNPKGEWKTRAYYSILKEEY 185
      +L RI A+ + N S ++ + +KEG LR K KG   +S+LK EY
Sbjct: 123  NLNRIEAKVEPENTPSIKLLNSLSFQKEGLLRDYEK-AKGLRIDVYMFSLKREY 176

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 209

A DNA sequence (GBSx0223) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 669> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 670>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 51
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

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----- Final Results -----
10      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.5180(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

```

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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15      >GP:CAA87001 GB:Z46902 unknown [Saccharomyces cerevisiae]
      Identities = 105/224 (46%), Positives = 148/224 (65%), Gaps = 3/224 (1%)

      Query: 1   MGDVVNFTEGKNPKIDTLNGKTVRIEKINPD-HFEDLFQVYGELSTEDSLTYISFSKFN 59
                +G VE +T   P+   L G T R+E ++ + H +LF Y E   +   TY+   F
20      Sbjct: 11 VGADVEGWTTTAFPEKVVLKGNTCRLEPLDRERHGSELFSAyseag-QKLWTYLPAGEPFT 69

      Query: 60   SKNEFDVFFQTLLKSEDPYYLAIVDNNTGKVLGTFSLMRIDTKNRVVEMGWVVYSSKLKQ 119
                + E+ F + L +++D   AI++ T + +GT L+RID N +E+G+VV+S +L++
25      Sbjct: 70 NLEEYLEFIKELNETKDTVPFAIINKETERAVGTLCLIRIDEANGSLEVGYVVFSPELQK 129

      Query: 120  TRIATEAQYLVMKYVFEELCYRRYEWKCDSLNAPSNNNSAKRLGFTFEGTFRQAVVYKGRN 179
                T IATEAQ+L+MKYVF++L YRRYEWKCDSLN PS +A RLGF +EGTFRQ VVYKGR
30      Sbjct: 130 TIATEAQPLLKMYVFDLQYRRYEWKCDSLNGPSRRAMRLGFKYEGTFRQVVVYKGR 189

      Query: 180  RDTNWYSILDKEWPEKKTRFEKWLDSDNFAVNGYQIRSLSSIEQ 223
                RDT W+SI+DKEW + FE+WLD +NF NG Q R +++I +
35      Sbjct: 190 RDTQWFSIIDKEWLRIRKTFEELDKTNFE-NGKQKRGIAAIRE 232

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No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 210

A DNA sequence (GBSx0224) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 671> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 672>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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40      Possible site: 39
      >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
      INTEGRAL   Likelihood =-12.15   Transmembrane   25 - 41 ( 20 - 49)

      ----- Final Results -----
45      bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5861(Affirmative) < succ>
      bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
      bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

A related GBS gene <SEQ ID 8519> and protein <SEQ ID 8520> were also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Lipop: Possible site: -1 Crend: 10
 McG: Discrim Score: -3.31
 GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -4.44
 Possible site: 39
 5 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 ALOM program count: 1 value: -12.15 threshold: 0.0
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -12.15 Transmembrane 25 - 41 (20 - 49)
 PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 11.94 59
 10 modified ALOM score: 2.93
 *** Reasoning Step: 3
 ----- Final Results -----
 15 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5861(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

SEQ ID 672 (GBS43) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 5 (lane 4; MW 34kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 13 (lane 9; MW 58kDa) and in Figure 15 (lane 4; MW 59kDa).

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 211

A DNA sequence (GBSx0225) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 673> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 674>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 32
 >>> May be a lipoprotein
 ----- Final Results -----
 30 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9519> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9520> was also identified.

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 212

A DNA sequence (GBSx0226) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 675> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 676>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 44
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 45 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -1.54 Transmembrane 165 - 181 (164 - 181)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.85 Transmembrane 67 - 83 (67 - 84)
 ----- Final Results -----
 50 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1617(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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5  >GP:CAA82211 GB:Z28353 similar to a B.subtilis gene (GB:
    BACHEMEHY_5) [Clostridium pasteurianum]
    Identities = 40/185 (21%), Positives = 87/185 (46%), Gaps = 6/185 (3%)

10 Query: 18 MPKKGKQKVILSAIELFASQGFHGTSTAQLAKNAEVSQATIYKYFETKDKLLVFILELIVQ 77
    M K K + SAI++F++ G++G + ++A NA V++ T+Y +F++K+++ +I+E V
    Sbjct: 1 MNKTKDNIFYSIAIKVFSNNGYNGATMDEIASNAGVAKGTLTYHFKSKEEIFKYIIEGVN 60

15 Query: 78 TIGRPFFTELSTFSTKEELIHFFVQDRFKFIEKNNDLIKILMQEELINSETSTIFTKLIN 137
    + T E + + + I KN D K++ +L ++
    Sbjct: 61 LMKNEIDEATDKKTALEKLVKAVCRVQLNLIYKNRDFKVIASQLWGKBLRQLELRDIMR 120

20 Query: 138 STDPNITKIFNCLSEGNL---NKMEILRAVIGQFITFFIQLY-ILNIKPENLEEELKQI 193
    + +I + E S+ N + + A +G + + LY ++N + +N+ ++ +
    Sbjct: 121 NYVVHIEEFVKDAMEAGSIKKCNLFVAYAFGLTLCs--VSLYEIVINAENDNINNTIENL 178

    Query: 194 EKQIL 198
    IL
    Sbjct: 179 MNYIL 183
  
```

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 213

A DNA sequence (GBSx0227) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 677> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 678>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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30 Possible site: 24
    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

    ----- Final Results -----
    bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2389(Affirmative) < succ>
    bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
35 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
  
```

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 214

A DNA sequence (GBSx0228) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 679> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 680>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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45 Possible site: 43
    >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
    INTEGRAL Likelihood = -13.32 Transmembrane 341 - 357 ( 333 - 361)
    INTEGRAL Likelihood = -10.93 Transmembrane 253 - 269 ( 238 - 277)
    INTEGRAL Likelihood = -10.77 Transmembrane 172 - 188 ( 166 - 196)
    INTEGRAL Likelihood = -8.01 Transmembrane 225 - 241 ( 215 - 251)
50 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -7.01 Transmembrane 21 - 37 ( 18 - 42)
    INTEGRAL Likelihood = -2.66 Transmembrane 285 - 301 ( 283 - 301)

    ----- Final Results -----
  
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bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.6328(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

5 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAB42654 GB:AL049819 putative integral membrane protein
 [Streptomyces coelicolor A3(2)]
 Identities = 60/156 (38%), Positives = 101/156 (64%), Gaps = 1/156 (0%)

10 Query: 176 LMGFMVFFFVFLISGMALLKERTSGTLDRLLATPVKRSDIVFGYMLSYGILAIITIVIV 235
 L+G +FL++ +A L+ERTSGTL+RLLA P+ + D++ GY L++G LAI+Q+ +
 Sbjct: 77 LLGIFPLITMFLVTSIATLRERTSGTLERLLAMPLGKGLIAGYALAFGALAIVQSALAT 136

Query: 236 LSTIWLLDIQVVGSIIFSIVNFILALVALSLGILMSTLAKSEFQMMQFIPLIIMPQLFF 295
 +W L + V GS + +++V + AL+ +LG+ +S A SEFQ +QF+P +I PQL
 15 Sbjct: 137 GLAVWFLGLDVTGSPWLLLLVALLDALLGTAIGLFVSAFAASEFQAVQFMPAVIFPQLLL 196

Query: 296 SGII-PLENMASWAQTVGKILPLSYSGDALTKIIMY 330
 G+ P +NM + V +LP+SY+ D + +++ +
 20 Sbjct: 197 CGLFTPRDNMHPALEAVSDVLEMSYAVDGMNEVLRH 232

There is also homology to a DNA sequence which was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 681> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 682>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 39

25 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -11.41	Transmembrane	263 - 279 (246 - 284)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -7.70	Transmembrane	231 - 247 (224 - 258)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -4.99	Transmembrane	20 - 36 (18 - 39)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -3.72	Transmembrane	349 - 365 (345 - 368)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -3.45	Transmembrane	187 - 203 (182 - 204)

30

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5564(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 35 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

>GP:CAB12662 GB:Z99108 similar to ABC transporter (ATP-binding protein) [Bacillus subtilis]

40 Identities = 92/369 (24%), Positives = 180/369 (47%), Gaps = 25/369 (6%)

Query: 12 IKRKKTSYVTFFLPILITLLALSLSFSNNNOAKIGILDKDNSQISKQFIAQLKQNKKYD 71
 I +K +Y+ F P+L T + S+ N+++ ++ I+D+D++ +S+ +I QLK +
 Sbjct: 15 IFKKPQNYLIMFAAPLLLTFFVFGSMLSGNDDKVRLAIVDQDDTILSQHYIRQLKAHDDMY 74

45 Query: 72 IFTKIKKEHIDHYLQDKSLEAVLTIDKGFSDKVLQGKSQKLNIRSIANSEITEWVKAQTN 131
 +F + + L+ K + ++ I + F ++ +GK +L R VK
 Sbjct: 75 VFENMSESKASEKLKQKKIAGIIVISRSFQTQLEKKGHPELIFRHGPELSEAPMVQYAE 134

50 Query: 132 YLLENYNIIGDVALGNEDTFNR-----ILQKNQQLNYDVKQVTLTDRSRKAVSST 182
 L NI A T +K++ + V + TL+D+ S T
 Sbjct: 135 SALATLNIQVTAAKTASQTAGENWKAAYKTVFAKKHEDIVPAVTRQTLSDKKEGAEASDT 194

55 Query: 183 TT---GFLILMLGSTSVIYSGILADKSSQLYHRLMNLNLSRFR---YMLSVCVGFVA 235
 + GF ++ ++ + IL + + ++ RL+ +++SR Y+LS+ +G++
 Sbjct: 195 ASRAAGFSILFVMLTMMGAAGTILEARKNGVWSRLTASVSRABIGAGYVLSFFVIGWIQ 254

Query: 236 FTIQIVIMLSLLKVFNISFFVPTSLLLIIFLFLSLLAIGFGLLIGAITONSQQSSQLANL 295
 F I ++LS +F I++ P ++++++ LF L +G GL+I A + +Q NL
 60 Sbjct: 255 FGI---LLLSTHWLFGINWGNPAAVIVLVS--LFLLTVVVGIGLMIAANVRTPEQQLAFGNL 310

Query: 296 IVMPTSMLAGCLWPLSITPSYMQAIGKLLPQNWVLSAIA-IFQSGGTLQAWPYLLALMG 354
 V+ T M++G WP+ I P +MQ+I + LPQ W +S + I +G ++ +L + G
 Sbjct: 311 FVIATCMVSGMYWPIDIEPKFMQSIAEFLPQKWAMSGLTEIIANGARVTD----ILGICG 366

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Query: 355 TALALISFS 363
 LA + +
 Sbjct: 367 ILLAFAAIT 375

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 92/375 (24%), Positives = 164/375 (43%), Gaps = 66/375 (17%)

Query: 11 IKELF----RDKRTLAMMFLAPILIMFLMNMVMSANSNTKVKIGTINVNTKVVSNDNIK 66
 IK LF R K + FL PIL L+ + S ++N + KIG ++ + +S
 Sbjct: 5 IKTLFVKIKRKTSYVTFFLPILTT-LLALSLSFSNNQAKIGILDKDNSQISK----- 58

Query: 67 HIQVRSFKFNSSAKKALKSNKIDALISEDNKS YTVFYANTDSSKTTLT-RQAFKTAVNTM 125
 +F + LK NK + ++ K + Y S + LT + F V
 Sbjct: 59 -----QFIAQ----LKQNKKYDIFTKIKKEHIDHYLQDKSLEAVLTIDKGFSDKVLQ 107

Query: 126 NSKELISQVKILANKNPPLAQSLQTRSKYIKEKYN-----GNKNT-----GF 168
 S++L I + N ++ + ++ ++ Y+ E YN GN++T +
 Sbjct: 108 KSQKL----NIRSIANSEITEWVKAQTNYLENYNIIGDVALGNEDTFNRILQKNQQLNY 163

Query: 169 FAKMIPIL-----MGFMVFFFVFLISGM--ALLKERTSGTLDRLLATPVKRS 214
 K + + GF++ + S + +L +++S RL+ + + R
 Sbjct: 164 DVKQVTLTDRSRKAVSSTTTGFLILMLGSTSVIYSGILADKSSQLYHRLMLSLNLSR-- 221

Query: 215 IVFGYMSY---GILAIQITIVIVLSTIWLDDIQVVGSI FSVIIVNFILALVALSLGILM 271
 F YMSY G +A IVI+LS + + +I ++I+ F+ +L+A+ G+L+
 Sbjct: 222 --FRYMSYVCVGFVAFTIQIVIMLSLLKVFENISFFVPTSLLLIIFLFLSLLAIGFGLLI 279

Query: 272 STLAKSEFQMMQFIPLIIMPQLFFSGII-PLENMAWAQTVGKILPLSYSGDALTKIIMY 330
 + ++ Q Q LI+MP +G + PL S+ Q +GK+LP ++ A+ I
 Sbjct: 280 GAITQNSQQSSQLANLIVMPTSMLAGCLWPLSITPSYMQAIGKLLPQNWVLSAIA-IFQS 338

Query: 331 GQGLPNVSSNLLVLL 345
 G L LL L+
 Sbjct: 339 GGTL SQAWPYLLALM 353

A further related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 9081> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9082>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 38
 >>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq

INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -12.52	Transmembrane	21 - 37 (17 - 43)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -10.30	Transmembrane	351 - 367 (346 - 371)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -5.36	Transmembrane	262 - 278 (260 - 285)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -2.60	Transmembrane	288 - 304 (288 - 305)
INTEGRAL	Likelihood = -1.81	Transmembrane	229 - 245 (229 - 246)

----- Final Results -----

bacterial membrane	---	Certainty=0.6010(Affirmative)	< succ>
bacterial outside	---	Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear)	< succ>
bacterial cytoplasm	---	Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear)	< succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS sequences follows:

Score = 62.5 bits (149), Expect = 9e-12
 Identities = 72/382 (18%), Positives = 166/382 (42%), Gaps = 32/382 (8%)

Query: 1 MVLPHLIKESLQIFRNRTALLMMVIFPILMIVILSFAFKSSFNATTVPKLTIRYQLEG 60
 M + + +K ++PR++ L MM + PIL++ +++ F ++ NT + + + ++
 Sbjct: 1 MRIIATEKVIKELFRDKRTLAMMFLAPILIMFLMNMVMSANSNTKVKIGTINVNTKVVS 60

Query: 61 EKTIDYQKNFLAFLKVLNQKLHLETKPSNSLEKDRQRVSEGALTAVLEVKKNQTIKIVITNN 120
 L+ H++ + ++ + + A++ + N++ V N
 Sbjct: 61 N-----LDNIKHIVRSFKFNSSAKKALKSNKIDALIS-EDNKS YTVFYAN 105

Query: 121 INQQNADLINMLVKNYVDNAKTVDISAALY-----PQQLNHIRKRSVDYVKVSSIQTSK 174

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+ L K V+ + + I+ + P+ ++ RS Y+K + +
 Sbjct: 106 TDSSKTTTLTRQAFKTAVNIMNSKELISQVKILANKNPKLAQSLQTRS-KYIKE---KYN Y 161
 Query: 175 GMTSADYYA----ISMFTMITFYSMMSAMNLVLSDRQQRITNRIHLTGVSFPLVFGKLI 230
 5 G + ++A I M M+ F+ + + +L +R +R+ T V S +VFG ++
 Sbjct: 162 GNKNTGFFAKMIPILMGFMVFFVFLISGMALLKERTSGTLDRLIATPVKRSDIVFGYML 221
 Query: 231 GAMLATTVQLSLLYIFTRFVLRVNWGTNEWMLIGITASLVYLSVAIGIGLGISIKNEAFL 290
 + +Q ++ + T ++L + + + +I + L +++++GI + K+E +
 10 Sbjct: 222 SYGILAIQTIVIVLSTIWLDDIQVVGSI FSVIIVNFILALVALSLGILMSTLAKSEFQM 281
 Query: 291 TVASNTIIPIFAFILGGSYVPLTTLHSSIIINQLSNISPIKWVNDLFLYLIFFGGQYNP-IPV 349
 II F G +PL + +S + I P+ + D+L +I GQ P +
 15 Sbjct: 282 MQFIPLIIMPQLFFSG-IIPLENM-ASWAQTVGKILPLSYSGDALTKIIMYGQGLPNVSS 339
 Query: 350 TLIVNISIGTIFIILALIGMRK 371
 L+V + I I + G+++
 Sbjct: 340 NLLVLLFLIILTIANIFGLKR 361

20 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 215

A DNA sequence (GBSx0229) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 683> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 684>. This protein is predicted to be CG1718 gene product (b0794). Analysis of this
 25 protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 61
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -1.17 Transmembrane 118 - 134 (117 - 134)
 30 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1468(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

35 A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 8521> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 8522> was also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Lipop: Possible site: -1 Crend: 8
 McG: Discrim Score: -10.96
 GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -4.84
 40 Possible site: 15
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 ALOM program count: 1 value: -1.17 threshold: 0.0
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -1.17 Transmembrane 142 - 158 (141 - 158)
 PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 4.98 197
 45 modified ALOM score: 0.73
 *** Reasoning Step: 3
 ----- Final Results -----
 50 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1468(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

55 >GP:AAF50837 GB:AE003568 CG1718 gene product [Drosophila melanogaster]
 Identities = 80/204 (39%), Positives = 123/204 (60%), Gaps = 3/204 (1%)
 Query: 7 EIIGLIGPSGAGKSTLIKTMIGMEKADKGTALV--LDTQMPDRNINQIGYMAQSDALYE 64
 E GL+G +GAGK+T K M G E+ G A V L + +I IGY Q DAL +

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Sbjct: 1394 ECFGLLVNGAGKTTTFKMMTGDERISSGAAYVQGLSLESNMNSIYKMIGYCPQFDALLD 1453

Query: 65 SLTGLENLLFFGKMKGIQKTELKQQITHISKVVDLENQLDKFVSGYSGGMKRRLSLAIAL 124
 LTG E L F ++G+Q++ ++Q ++K +DK YSGG KR+LS AIA+

5 Sbjct: 1454 DLTGREVLRIFCMLRGVQESRIRQLSEDLAKSFGFMKHIDKQTHAYSGGNKRKLSTAIIV 1513

Query: 125 LGNPTVLILDEPTVGIDPSLRRIWQELINIKDEGHSIFITTHVMDEAE-LTSKVALLLR 183
 +G+P+V+ LDEPT G+DP+ RR++W + I+D G SI +T+H M+E E L +++A+++

10 Sbjct: 1514 IGSPSVIYLDEPTTGMDPAARRQLWNMVCRIRDSGKSIVLTSHSMEECEALCTRLAIMVN 1573

Query: 184 GNIIAFDTPLHLKKQFNVSTIEEV 207
 G + HLK +F+ I ++

15 Sbjct: 1574 GBFKCIGSTQHLKNKFSKGLILKI 1597
 Identities = 73/216 (33%), Positives = 128/216 (56%), Gaps = 9/216 (4%)

Query: 1 MEVFKGEIIGLIGPSGAGKSTLIKIMLGMEKADKGTALV--LDTQMPDRNINLQIGYMAQ 58
 M +F+ EI L+G +GAGK+T I + GM GTA++ D + +G Q

20 Sbjct: 536 MNMFEDETIVLLGHNGAGKTTTISMLTGMFPPTSGTAIINGSDIRTNIEGARMISLGICPQ 595

Query: 59 SDALYESLTGLENLLFFGKMKGIQKTELKQQITHISKVVDLENQLDKFVSGYSGGMKRR 118
 + L++ ++ ++ FF +MKG++ ++Q++ K+++LE++ + S SSGMKR+L

25 Sbjct: 596 HNVLFDEMSVSNHIRFFSRMKGLRGKAVEQEVAKYLMIELEDKANVASSKLSGGMKRKL 655

Query: 119 SLAIALLGNPTVLILDEPTVGIDPSLRRIWQELINIKDEGHSIFITTHVMDEAE-LTSK 177
 S+ AL G+ V++ DEP+ G+DPS RR++W +L+ + G ++ +TTH MDEA+ L +

30 Sbjct: 656 SVCCALCGDTKVVLCDPSSGMDPSARRQLW-DLLQKEKVGRTLLLTTHFMDEADVLGDR 714

Query: 178 VALLLRGNIIAFDTPLHLKKQFN-----VSTIEEVF 208
 +A++ G + T LKKQ+ VS ++ +F

30 Sbjct: 715 IAIMCDGELKCQGTSFFLKKQYVSGYRLVSGVQNLF 750

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 685> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 686>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 59

35 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.43 Transmembrane 49 - 65 (49 - 65)

----- Final Results -----

40 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1171(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

45 >GP:CAB12660 GB:Z99108 similar to ABC transporter (ATP-binding
 protein) [Bacillus subtilis]
 Identities = 151/316 (47%), Positives = 202/316 (63%), Gaps = 18/316 (5%)

50 Query: 4 VQLTNVVKSYKNGKKA-VNDVSLSEAGNIYGLGPNAGKSTLINLILGLIPLSSGKIT 62
 +Q N+ K+Y GKK V +S S++ G +GLGPNAGKST I++I GL+P SG IT

Sbjct: 2 LQAENIKKAY--GKKTIVKGISFSLKKGESFGLGPNAGKSTTISMISGLVPHDSGNIT 59

Query: 63 VLGQS-QKTIRKISSQIGYVPQDIAYVPDLTAYENVLFGLSLYGLKGAQLKKQVLKSLEF 121
 V G K K +IG VPQ+IA+YP LTA+EN+ +G +YGL + KK+ + LE+

55 Sbjct: 60 VGGYVIGKETAKAKQKIGIVPQETALYPTLTAHENLMFWGKMYGLTHDEAKKRAAEVLEY 119

Query: 122 VGLHSQAKQFPSPQSGMKRRRLNIACALVHSPKLIIFDEPTVGIDPQSRNHILESIRLLN 181
 VGL +AK FSGMKRR+NI AL+H P+L+I DEPTVGIDPQSRNHILE+++ LN

60 Sbjct: 120 VGLTERAKDKIETFSGMKRRINIGAALMHKPELLIMDEPTVGIDPQSRNHILETVKQLN 179

Query: 182 KEGATVIYTHYMEVEALCDYIFIMDHGQVIEGPKFELEKRYVANLANQIIVTLTDSR 241
 + G TVIYT+HYMEVEE LCD I I+D G++I G K +L R + Q+ V+ +

65 Sbjct: 180 ETGMTVIYTSHYMEVEFLCDRIGIIDQGEMIAIGTKTDLCSRLGGDTIIQLTVSGINEA 239

Query: 242 HL-----ELADKPDWSLIEDGEKMLKIDNSD-----MTSVVHQLTQANITFSEIRHNHL 291
 L LA D ++ E L LKID S +TS++ + T +I ++

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Sbjct: 240 FLVAIRSLAHVNDVTVEH-----LELKIDISAAHHEKVVTSLLABATAHHINLLSLQVQEP 295

Query: 292 NLEEIFLHLTGKKLRD 307
NLE +FL+LTG+ LRD

5 Sbjct: 296 NLERLFLNLTGRTLRLD 311

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 81/211 (38%), Positives = 125/211 (58%), Gaps = 2/211 (0%)

10 Query: 1 MEVFKGEIIGLIGPSGAGKSTLIKTMKGMEKADKGTALVL-DTQMPDRNINLQIGYMAQS 59
+ + G I GL+GP+GAGKSTLI +LG+ G VL +Q R I +QIGY+ Q
Sbjct: 25 LSIEAGNIYGLLGPNGAGKSTLINLILGLIPLSSGKITVLGQSQKTIRKISSQIGYVPOD 84

15 Query: 60 DALYESLTGLENLLFFGKMKGIQKTELKQQITHISKVVDLENQLDKFVSGYSGGMKRRLS 119
A+Y LT EN+ FG + G++ +LK+Q+ + V L +Q +F S +SGGMKRRL+
Sbjct: 85 IAVYPDLTAYENVELFGSLYGLKGAQLKKQVLKSLEFVGLHSQAKQFSPQFSGGMKRRLN 144

20 Query: 120 LAIALGNPTVLILDEPTVGDIDPSLRRKIWQELINIKDEGHSIFITTHVMDEAE-LTSKV 178
+A AL+ +P ++I DEPTVGIDP R I + + + EG ++ TTH M+E E L +
Sbjct: 145 IACALVHSPKLIIFDEPTVGDIDPSRNHILESIRLLNKEGATVIYTTTHYMEEVEALCDYI 204

Query: 179 ALLLRGNIIFADTPLHLKKQFNVTIEEVFL 209
++ G +I L+K++ + ++ +
25 Sbjct: 205 FIMDHGQVIEEGPKFELEKRYVANLANQIIV 235

SEQ ID 8522 (GBS391) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 74 (lane 7; MW 30kDa). It was also expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 83 (lane 4; MW 55kDa).

GBS391-GST was purified as shown in Figure 217, lane 3.

30 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 216

A DNA sequence (GBSx0230) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 687> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 688>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

35 Possible site: 13
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
40 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.6732(Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

45 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 217

A repeated DNA sequence (GBSx0231) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 689> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 690>. This protein is predicted to be ISL2 protein. Analysis of this protein
50 sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 58

>>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq

----- Final Results -----

5 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

10 >GP:CAC18596 GB:AJ278419 IS1381 transposase [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
 Identities = 111/129 (86%), Positives = 117/129 (90%)

Query: 1 MKAQAIVTSQGRIVSLDI VNYCHDMKLFKMSRRNIGQA AKILADSGYQGIMKMSQAQT 60
 MK QAIVTSQGRIVSLDI VNYCHDMKLFKMSRRNIGQA KILADSGYQG+MK+Y QAQT

15 Sbjct: 1 MKTQAIVTSQGRIVSLDITVNYCHDMKLFKMSRRNIGQAGKILADSGYQGLMKIYPQAQT 60

Query: 61 PRKSSKLKPLTLEDKTYNHTLSKERIKVENIFAKVKTFKIFSTTYRNRKRFGRLRMNLIA 120
 RKSSKLKPLT+EDK NH LSKER KVENIFAKVKTFK+FSTTYR+ RKRFGRLRMNL A

20 Sbjct: 61 SRKSSKLKPLTVEDKACNHALSKERSKVENIFAKVKTFKMFSTTYRSHRKRFGRLRMNLSA 120

Query: 121 GMINRELGF 129
 G+IN ELGF

 Sbjct: 121 GIINHELGF 129

25 No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 218

A repeated DNA sequence (GBSx0232) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 691> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 692>. This protein is predicted to be ISL2 protein. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 41

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

35 ----- Final Results -----

 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3996 (Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

40 The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

 >GP:CAC18595 GB:AJ278419 IS1381 transposase [Streptococcus pneumoniae]
 Identities = 110/125 (88%), Positives = 119/125 (95%)

45 Query: 1 MNYEASKQLTDVRFKRLVGVQRTT FEEMLA VLKTAYQ RKHAKGGRTPKLSLEDLLMATLQ 60
 MNYEASKQLTD RFKRLVGVQRTT FEEMLA VLKTAYQ KHAKGGR PKLSLEDLLMATLQ

 Sbjct: 1 MNYEASKQLTDARF KRLVGVQRTT FEEMLA VLKTAYQ LKHAKGGRPKLSLEDLLMATLQ 60

Query: 61 YMREYRTYEIAADFGIHESNLIRRSQWVESTLIQSGFTISKTHLSAEDTVIVDATEVKI 120
 Y+REYRTYE+IAADFG+HESNL+RRSQWVE TL+QSG TIS+T LS+EDTV++DATEVKI

50 Sbjct: 61 YVREYRTYEEIAADFGVHESNLLRRSQWVEVTLVQSGVTISRTPLSSEDTVMIDATEVKI 120

Query: 121 NRPKK 125
 NRPKK

 Sbjct: 121 NRPKK 125

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No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

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Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 219

A DNA sequence (GBSx0233) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 693> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 694>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 57
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -10.40    Transmembrane    130 - 146 ( 123 - 156)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -7.86     Transmembrane    169 - 185 ( 167 - 191)
10    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -6.90     Transmembrane    100 - 116 ( 95 - 118)
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -5.52     Transmembrane    199 - 215 ( 189 - 216)

----- Final Results -----
15    bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5161(Affirmative) < succ>
    bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
    bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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>GP:BAB04126 GB:AP001508 unknown conserved protein in others
20    [Bacillus halodurans]
    Identities = 47/207 (22%), Positives = 95/207 (45%), Gaps = 14/207 (6%)

Query: 7   LQKENTLLEGRIDNSNNQTYTDMIVYLRGA-SISPYHQELIRNDIVNMLLEAQERQASLV 65
          L K+N      +   N + Y D+++Y+R A S S   E +   ++++ LLEAQ + S
25    Sbjct: 6   LIKDNNKRKLLTEENLKVYEDLLLYIRLAHSKSEQTEELLTELLDHLLEAQAKGSAK 65

Query: 66  SVFGEDRHDHFINQVIKSTPKISKKEE-TLQRWDLAILLLTIQMIIFLGGYLITEALQQSV 124
          +VFG++   + +++I   PK+  KE   L + L++   T+   ++F G Y +   V
30    Sbjct: 66  AVFGDNPKQYADEIIGEIPKMVTKERFGLFAYGLSMFFATV--LVFSGIYRMLRYVVFQV 123

Query: 125  PDLIPITLLDVLFAIFISIIAVKIADTIYATYNFDK----SKEKKYFFRYIFLILSLII 180
          + +   +   A+ +I ++ IA  ++ + + +   K F +I + +I
35    Sbjct: 124  GEAVSEVYVGT--ALITTIASIVIAWMFVVFVQYFRWSCFRITINKVFEFFILWLGGMIP 181

Query: 181  AYILIGKYYHLP----FINIPLWIYLI 203
          +   Y P   I IP+++Y +
40    Sbjct: 182  FALFFALLYFTPNVGRMIEIPVLYFV 208

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No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 220

A DNA sequence (GBSx0234) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 695> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 696>. This protein is predicted to be minor extracellular protease epr precursor (epr).

Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Possible site: 31
>>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
    INTEGRAL    Likelihood = -10.72    Transmembrane    10 - 26 ( 5 - 33)
50    ----- Final Results -----
    bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5288(Affirmative) < succ>
    bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
    bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 8523> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 8524> was also identified. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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Lipop Possible site: -1   Crend: 8
McG: Discrim Score:      12.11
5  GvH: Signal Score (-7.5): -4.02
    Possible site: 29
>>> Seems to have an uncleavable N-term signal seq
ALOM program  count: 1 value: -10.72 threshold: 0.0
    INTEGRAL  Likelihood = -10.72  Transmembrane  8 - 24 ( 5 - 33)
10  PERIPHERAL Likelihood = 13.74    219
    modified ALOM score: 2.64

*** Reasoning Step: 3

15  ----- Final Results -----
        bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5288(Affirmative) < succ>
        bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
        bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

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20  !GB:Z99123 extracellular serine protease [Bacillus s...

>GP:CAB15866 GB:Z99123 extracellular serine protease [Bacillus subtilis]
    Identities = 44/150 (29%), Positives = 80/150 (53%), Gaps = 14/150 (9%)

25  Query: 37 QMDTVESSVNHVSDSQLTEAQDMLDKFEKKPSEKLLKDVELALNKLNSSSKKEALQKRFK 96
        ++D V+S  N      + +A+D + K EK  +++ +  + A+NKL N + K+ LQKR
    Sbjct: 428 RLDKVQSYRN-----VKDAKDKVAKAEKYKTQQTVDTAQTAINKLFPNGTDKKNLQKRLD 481

    Query: 97 KAKDKYLKDEADKKATKDATDLVEILEQAPSEENVLKAEAAVNKLTVKESKEALQKRIDT 156
        + K +Y+      A+K A D V  E++ + +V  A++A+ KL      K +LQKR++
30  Sbjct: 482 QVK-RYI-----ASKQAKDKVAKAEKSKKKTVDVSAQSAIGKLPAASSEKTSIQKRLNK 533

    Query: 157 VKTQYGLIGNQTPSSSVAETTEQGTANPAS 186
        VK+      Q+ S++ ++T+  A  S
35  Sbjct: 534 VKSTNLKTAQQSVSAAEKKSTDANAAKAQS 563
    Identities = 39/124 (31%), Positives = 64/124 (51%), Gaps = 2/124 (1%)

    Query: 35 TTQMDTVESSVNHVSDSQLTEAQDMLDKFEKKPSEKLLKDVELALNKLNSSSKKEALQKR 94
        +++ +++ +N V + L AQ +  EKK ++      + A+N+L  K ALQKR
40  Sbjct: 521 SSEKTSLQKRLNKVKSTNLKTAQQSVSAAEKKSTDANAAKAQS AVNQLQAGKDKTALQKR 580

    Query: 95 FKKAKDKYLKDEADKKATKDATDLVEILEQAPSEENVLKAEAAVNKLTVKESKEALQKRI 154
        K K K  EA K T A  V+ E+  ++++  A++AVN+L  K LQKR+
45  Sbjct: 581 LDKVKKVAAAEAKKVETAKAK--VKKAEKDKTKKSKTSAQSAVNQLKASNEKTKLQKRL 638

    Query: 155 DTVK 158
        + VK
    Sbjct: 639 NAVK 642

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50 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 697> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 698>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

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    Possible site: 41
>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
    INTEGRAL  Likelihood = -4.99  Transmembrane  24 - 40 ( 23 - 43)
55  ----- Final Results -----
        bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.2996(Affirmative) < succ>
        bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
        bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
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The protein has homology with the following sequences in the databases:

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>GP:CAB15866 GB:Z99123 extracellular serine protease [Bacillus subtilis]

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Identities = 43/130 (33%), Positives = 71/130 (54%), Gaps = 8/130 (6%)

Query: 41 GSHPQTQDKVA---KHSKSAASLLKKAVKAVNDADRLATAAAIQEAQKAVDKLAESSKKK 97
 G P + +K + + +K ++ LK A ++V+ A++ +T A +AQ AV++L K
 Sbjct: 516 GKLPASSEKTSLOKRLNKVKSTNLKTAQQSVSAAEKKSTDANAAKAQSAVNQLQAGKDKT 575

Query: 98 TLQEQNLN-----VAKAKQEQEDAATQAVKAAEETLNQNLKDIAQKAVNDLSNKGKKAALQ 152
 LQ++L+ VA A+ ++ + A VK AE+ + K AQ AVN L +K LQ
 Sbjct: 576 ALQKRLDKVKKKVAAAEAKKVETAKAKVKAEEKDKTKKSKTSAQSAVNQLKASNEKTKLQ 635

Query: 153 SRLDAILPAK 162
 RL+A+ P K
 Sbjct: 636 KRLNAVKKPK 645
 Identities = 31/105 (29%), Positives = 53/105 (49%), Gaps = 1/105 (0%)

Query: 54 SKSAASLLKKAVKAVNDADRLATAAAIQEAQKAVDKLAESSKKKTLQEQNLVAKAQEQE 113
 +++ S A +AV A++ I +A++ + +L S K L ++L+ ++ + +
 Sbjct: 380 AQATDSAYAAEQAVKAEQTKAQIDINKARELISQLPNSDAKTALHKRLDKVQSYRNVK 439

Query: 114 DAATQAVKAAEETLNQNLKDIAQKAVNDLSNKGKKAALQSRLDAI 158
 DA + KA E+ Q D AQ A+N L N K LQ RLD +
 Sbjct: 440 DAKDKVAKA-EKYKTQQTVDTAQTAINKLPGTDDKNLQKRLDOV 483

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 61/233 (26%), Positives = 115/233 (49%), Gaps = 13/233 (5%)

Query: 2 SMKIDKKELLALIASIILLIFASVTFFLFKDHGTTQMDTVESSVNVHSDSQLTEAQDMLD 61
 SM +KE L + S++ + + +F H TQ + S + + S L +A ++
 Sbjct: 12 SMTKSKQEALYWMLSVLTITLIGGSCLIFGSHPQTQDKVAKHSKS--AASLLKKAVKAVN 69

Query: 62 KFEKKPSEKLLKDVLELALNKLNSSSKKEALQKRFKAKDKYLKDEADKKATKDATDLVEI 121
 ++ + +++ + A++KL+ SSKK+ LQ++ AK K +++A AT V+
 Sbjct: 70 DADRLATAAAIQEAQKAVDKLAESSKKKTLQEQNLVAKAQEQEDA-----ATQAVKA 122

Query: 122 LEQAPSEENVLKAEAAVNKLTVKESKEALQKRIDTVKTQYGLIGNQTPSSSSVAETTEQGT 181
 E+ ++ A+ AVN L+ K K ALQ R+D + +I ++ P S E T+
 Sbjct: 123 AEETLNQNLKDIAQKAVNDLSNKGKKAALQSRLDAILPAKPII-DEFPRQS-GEITDNSY 180

Query: 182 ANPASQDTSSYVNQNVAPTYE-QPQANNTPVTRGVNNTVP-TPGTGTVPATNG 232
 P D S + + +PT + +++ + VTP ++ P P T + P+ +G
 Sbjct: 181 WTPFFGVDVSDTYDNSQSPTLDPSSSSASDVTPQPSHPDPIPPQTSSEPSDSG 233

SEQ ID 8524 (GBS278) was expressed in *E.coli* as a His-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 52 (lane 6; MW 40kDa).

The GBS278-His fusion product was purified (Figure 206, lane 10) and used to immunise mice. The resulting antiserum was used for FACS (Figure 305), which confirmed that the protein is immunoaccessible on GBS bacteria.

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 221

A DNA sequence (GBSx0235) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 699> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 700>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 53
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1466(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

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bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

No corresponding DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes*.

- 5 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 222

- A DNA sequence (GBSx0236) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 701> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 702>. This protein is predicted to be N-acetylglucosamine-6-phosphate deacetylase (nagA). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 15

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

- 15 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.4607 (Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

- A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9297> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9298> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

- >GP:AAG21688 GB:AY007718 N-acetylglucosamine-6-phosphate deacetylase
[Lactococcus lactis subsp. cremoris]
Identities = 113/178 (63%), Positives = 135/178 (75%)
- 25 Query: 131 GIYFEGPYFTEEYKGAQNPIYMRNPNL EEFAQWQKAAKGLITKIALAPEREGVEEFVSAI 190
GI+FE GP+PTEE KGAQNP YMR+ + E WQ+AA G++ KI LAPEREG E+F+
Sbjct: 1 GIFFEGPFFTEEKKGAQNPKYMRDAKMWELEDWQEAHGM LKKIGLAPEREGSEDFIRKA 60
- 30 Query: 191 TKQGVTV ALGHSN GTYKEAKKAVKAGASVWVHAYNGMRGLTHREPGMVGA VYNLPNTYAE 250
T+ GV +ALGHSN TYK+A V+AGASVWVH +NGM G+TH+EPGMVGA+ N PNTYAE
Sbjct: 61 TEGSVVIALGHSNATYKQAVAGVQAGASVWVHTFNGMSGMTHQEPGMVGAILNTPNTYAE 120
- 35 Query: 251 LICDGHVDPVACDILMTQKGHNHVALITDCMAAGGAPDGDYMLGELPVVVSNGTARL 308
LICDGHV P A +I++ KG +HV LITD M A G PDG YMLGE V V +G A L
Sbjct: 121 LICDGHVVRPEAAEIVVKMGADHVVLITDSMRAGLPDGPYMLGEYVEVRDGA A W L 178

- A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 703> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 704>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

40 Possible site: 40

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

- 45 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3114 (Affirmative) < succ>
bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>
bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000 (Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

- Identities = 227/300 (75%), Positives = 262/300 (86%)
- 50 Query: 9 MTKYIKADRFFYADHVKENGYLEIKDNHFGKWIENISQEEILDYSGYQIAPGLVDTHIH 68
MT Y+KAD F+Y V+ GYL + D FG+W E + +I+DY+GYQIAPGLVDTHIH
Sbjct: 1 MTCYLKADCFYYPTFVRPAGYLSLHDGVFGEWTEIVPADAQIIDYTG YQIAPGLVDTHIH 60

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Query: 69 GFAGADVMDCDSEGLRMSAGLLSTGVTSLPPTLTSTDKRLEEASKSVAAGKEQGAK 128
 G+AGADVMD ++GI +MS GLL+TGVTSLPPTLTST ++LE+ S ++A+VA + +GAK
 Sbjct: 61 GYAGADVMDNSAQGIHQMSGELLATGVTSLPPTLTSTFEQLEKVSGETIASVADQVKGAK 120

5 Query: 129 IQGIYFEGPYFTEEYKGAQNPIYMRNPNEEFQWQKAAKGLITKIALAPEREGVEEFVS 188
 IQGIYFEGPYFTEEYKGAQNP YM+ P LEEF WQKAAKGLI KIALAPER+GV+EFVS
 Sbjct: 121 IQGIYFEGPYFTEEYKGAQNPSYMKTPRLEEFDAWQKAAKGLIKKIALAPERDGVKEFVS 180

10 Query: 189 AITKQGVTVLGHNSNGTYKEAKKAVKAGASVWVHAYNGMRGLTHREPGMVGAVYNLPNTY 248
 A+TKQGVTVLGHNSNGTY+EAK+AV+AGASVWVHAYNGMRGLTHREPGMVGAVYNLPNTY
 Sbjct: 181 AVTKQGVTVLGHNSNGTYQEAKKAVQAGASVWVHAYNGMRGLTHREPGMVGAVYNLPNTY 240

Query: 249 AELICDGHVDPVACDILMTQKGNHVALITDCMAAGGAPDGDYMLGELPVVVSNGTARL 308
 AELICDGHV P+ACDILM QKGH+HVA+ITDCM AGG+PDGDY+LGE VVV+NGTARL
 15 Sbjct: 241 AELICDGHVSPACDILMQKQGHVHVAITDCMRAGGSPDGDYLLGEFVVVANGTARL 300

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 223

20 A DNA sequence (GBSx0237) was identified in *S. agalactiae* <SEQ ID 705> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 706>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 25
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

25 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3709(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

30 A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9307> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9308> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:CAB16112 GB:Z99124 yyaQ [Bacillus subtilis]
 Identities = 40/110 (36%), Positives = 62/110 (56%), Gaps = 12/110 (10%)

35 Query: 121 IAKTFEDSVDPYPPAKHPQYASYRVSG--KWYALLFPLKMGKLENVPAQLSED---BVEVL 175
 + + + S DYP+ K+P YAS R + KWY L+ + +P +L D E+++L
 Sbjct: 11 VKEKYGTSPDYPWEEKYPNYASLRHTSNKKWYGLIMNV-----LPEKLGLDGHGEIDIL 63

40 Query: 176 NIKVNPQDMBILLQKEGIYPSYHMSKITWVSIVLDNTLSDIEIFKLVSIDS 225
 N+K P+ + L E I P YHM K+ W+SIVL+ T + EI+ L+ S
 Sbjct: 64 NLKCPPEISDRLRNGENILPGYHMDKEHWISIVLERTDPEGEIYNLIEQS 113

45 A related DNA sequence was identified in *S. pyogenes* <SEQ ID 707> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 708>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 22
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

50 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.2541(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

55 Identities = 114/247 (46%), Positives = 169/247 (68%), Gaps = 1/247 (0%)

Query: 7 MSIESDFFRKKRFIFSSLEEFQFIKSDQEYIYCQTFMDNDFKAIITISLDGKIAGKVIDS 66

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MS+ +D+F ++ I L +GF K D Y Y + FM+ +F+A + I G I +VID
 Sbjct: 1 MSLATDYFSRQTFIVEKLMAYGFEKRDNGYFYNERFMEGEFEAQLRIDEAGNIWDRVIDC 60

Query: 67 ALEEEYLPLRAANYNGSFVGEVRSAYMAILGDISDSCCKDLLFTKDQSNRLAEKIAKTFE 126
 LEE+YLPL+ A + G++ G+VR+AY+ +L +S +C + F Q+NRLA+ I K +
 Sbjct: 61 DLEEDYLPQQAAWQGTYYTGQVRAAYLELLERLSVACFEATPFQSMQANRLAKHITKEWS 120

Query: 127 DSVDPYFAKHPQYASYRVSGKWWYALLFPLKMGKLENVPAQLSEDEVEVLNIKVPQDMEI 186
 D +DYPF KHP A+YRV GKWYA++F L KL+ +P +L EV+ +KVN+
 Sbjct: 121 DPMDFPFKHPDLATYRVGGKWMYAMIFSLADKLDQIPERLVGQTCEVMTVKVNPKAFFQ 180

Query: 187 LLQKEGIYPSYHMSKKTWVSIVLDNTLSIDIEIFKLVSRSRKLVSHNKSN-SEPEFWIIP 245
 LLQ+EGIYP+YHMSKK W+SI+LD+ ++D +++ LV+ SR+LV+ N SN + P++W+IP
 Sbjct: 181 LLQKEGIYPAYHMSKKNWISIIILDDKVTDDKLWTLVTQSRQLVNPNGLSNPNPDPYWVIP 240

Query: 246 ANPKFYD 252
 AN K+YD
 Sbjct: 241 ANLKYD 247

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 224

A DNA sequence (GBSx0238) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 709> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 710>. This protein is predicted to be transposase for insertion sequence element is905.

Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 61
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1824(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9601> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9602> was also identified.

A related GBS nucleic acid sequence <SEQ ID 9595> which encodes amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 9596> was also identified.

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAA25167 GB:L20851 transposase [Lactococcus lactis]
 Identities = 325/391 (83%), Positives = 365/391 (93%)

Query: 12 MTQFTTELLNFLAQKQDIDEFFRSSLTAMNDLLQVELSAFLGYEPYDKAGYNTGNSRNG 71
 MTQFTTELLNFLAQKQDIDEFFR+SLETAMNDLLQ ELAFLGYEPYDK GYN+GNSRNG
 Sbjct: 1 MTQFTTELLNFLAQKQDIDEFFRTSLETAMNDLLQAELSAFLGYEPYDKVGYNSGNSRNG 60

Query: 72 AYTRRFETKYGVVNLIPDRNGEFSPALIPSYGRRDNHLEEMVIKLYRTGVTTREISDI 131
 +Y+R+FETKYG V L IPRDRNG FSPAL+P+YGRD+HLEEMVIKLY+TGVTTREISDI
 Sbjct: 61 SYSRQFETKYGTQLSIPDRNGNFSPALLPAYGRDDHLEEMVIKLYQTGVTTREISDI 120

Query: 132 IERMYGHHYSPATVSNISKATQENVASFHRSLEANYTVLYLDGTYLPLRRGTVSKECIH 191
 IERMYGHHYSPAT+SNISKATQENVA+FHRSLEANY+VL+LDGTYLPLRRGTVSKECIH
 Sbjct: 121 IERMYGHHYSPATISNISKATQENVATFHRSLEANYSVLFLDGTYLPLRRGTVSKECIH 180

Query: 192 IALGVTISYGHKAILGYDIAPNENNASWSDLLERFKGQGVQVSLVSDGFNGLDQLIQQA 251
 IALG+T G KA+LGY+IAPNENNASWS LL++ + QG+QVSLVV+DGF GL+Q+I QA
 Sbjct: 181 IALGITPEGQKAVLGYEIAPNENNASWSLTLDKLQNGQIQVSLVVTDFGKGLBQIISQA 240

Query: 252 FPMKQQRCLVHIGRNIAKVKRADRALILEQFKTIYRAINVEEAKQALDSFINWKPHY 311

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+P+AKQQRCL+HI RN+ASKVKRADRA+ILEQFKTIYRA N+E A QAL++FI EWKP Y
 Sbjct: 241 YPLAKQQRCLIHISRNLSKVKRADRAVILEQFKTIYRAENLEMAVQALENFIAEWKPKY 300
 Query: 312 KKVIETLESIENTLIFYEFPHQIWGSIYSTNLIESLNKEIKRQTKKKVFPNEESLERYL 371
 +KV+E+LE+ +NLL FY+FP+QIW SIYSTNLIESLNKEIKRQTKKKV+FPNEE+LERYL
 Sbjct: 301 RKVMESLENTDNLITFYQFPYQIWHSIYSTNLIESLNKEIKRQTKKKVLPNEEALERYL 360
 Query: 372 VTLFSDYNFKQGQRIHKGFGQCTDTLESFLD 402
 VTLF DYNFKQ QRIHKGFGQC DTLESFLD
 Sbjct: 361 VTLPEDYNFKQSQRHKGFGQCADTLESFLD 391

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 711> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 712>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 15
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3054(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 111/128 (86%), Positives = 122/128 (94%)
 Query: 12 MTQFTTELLNFLAQKQDIDFFRSSLETAMNDLLQVELSAFLGYEPYDKAGYNTGNSRNG 71
 MTQFTTELLNFLAQKQDIDFFRSSLE AMNDLLQVELSAFLGYEPY+K GYNTGNSRNG
 Sbjct: 1 MTQFTTELLNFLAQKQDIDFFRSSLEIAMNDLLQVELSAFLGYEPYEKEGYNTGNSRNG 60
 Query: 72 AYTRRFETKYGVNLLIPDRNGEFSPALIPSYGRRDNHLEEMVIKLYRTGVTTREISDI 131
 Y+R+FETKYG+VNL+IPDRNGEFSP L+PSY RR++HLEE+VIKLY+TGVTTREISDI
 Sbjct: 61 TYSRQFETKYGLVNLIIIPDRNGEFSPVLLPSYARREDHLEETVIKLYQTGVTTREISDI 120
 Query: 132 IERMYGHH 139
 I+RMYG H
 Sbjct: 121 IKRMYGDH 128

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 225

A DNA sequence (GBSx0239) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 713> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 714>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 32
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -12.42 Transmembrane 268 - 284 (260 - 286)
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -6.32 Transmembrane 232 - 248 (231 - 254)
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.5967(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAD40365 GB:AF036485 hypothetical protein [Plasmid pNZ4000]
 Identities = 69/283 (24%), Positives = 133/283 (46%), Gaps = 9/283 (3%)
 Query: 11 INVDDLSQLQEERF-LPSELLAYARDENESS-FVRDIEGHLALVYQLLDQTQGHVDDVRHVP 68
 IN ++ + E+++ + +++ Y D +ES+ +V DI L L D +R++
 Sbjct: 19 INAEERATLEDQYGIDEDIEYVTDNDESTNYVDINEDDQLFIFLAPYALDKDALRYIT 78

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Query: 69 RVIPVTLFLKEDGLFVLANKHNINLVKKALNRV--EKVDSPKHLLSLVTAFSKQYFDV 125
 + P + L + LF N I V AL +V S +L + + +
 Sbjct: 79 Q--PFGMLLHKGVLF--NQSGIPEVNTALYSALDNPEVKSVDAFILETLFTVVVSFIPI 135

5 Query: 126 LDTISEERDKLINDLRKRPNKSNIARLANLQSGTVHLMGKQNFEMLTDLQNIQDKEN 185
 I+++R+ L L ++ S+L L+ LQ L + N L L
 Sbjct: 136 SRAITKKRNYLDKMLNRKTKNSDLVSLSYLQQTTLTFLSSAVQTNLSELDRLFKTHFGVGA 195

10 Query: 186 TRNEKMQLDALIEARQLSNMCSINSQVFQELS--SYNNVLSNNLNDNVTTLTIIISIGISI 244
 +++ +D IE Q+ M + +QV + + N++ +NNLND + LTI S+ +++
 Sbjct: 196 DQDKIDLFPEDVQIEGEQVQRMFEIETQVVDRIDHTLNSLANNLNDTMKFLTIWSLTMAV 255

Query: 245 IAMVTSFYGMNVKLPFDSVDAVWVLIILITITITIMLSIVMYI 287
 +++ FYGMNVKLP + W+L + I+ ++ + + I++ +
 15 Sbjct: 256 PTIISGFYGMNVKLPPLAGMQYAWMLTLGISVVLIVAMLIMLKV 298

SEQ ID 714 (GBS422) was expressed in *E.coli* as a GST-fusion product. SDS-PAGE analysis of total cell extract is shown in Figure 172 (lane 7; MW 60kDa).

GBS422-GST was purified as shown in Figure 219, lane 12.

20 Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 226

A DNA sequence (GBSx0240) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 717> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 718>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

25 Possible site: 45
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
 30 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0783(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

35 >GP:CAB61731 GB:AL133220 putative oxidoreductase. [Streptomyces
 coelicolor A3(2)]
 Identities = 100/306 (32%), Positives = 152/306 (48%), Gaps = 3/306 (0%)

Query: 3 KVRVGVVSTAKVAPRFIEGVRLAGNEVVAVSSRTLESAQAFANKYHLPKAYDKLEDMLA 62
 KVR+G+++T +A RF + + EVVAV+SRT SA+ FA ++ +P+AY E +
 40 Sbjct: 8 KVRWGILATGGMARFTADLVLDPAEVLVAVASRTASAKTFAERFGIPRAYGGWETLAR 67

Query: 63 DESIDVIYVATINQDHYKVAKAALLAGKHVLEKPFITLTYDQANELFALAESC�LFME 122
 DE +DV+YVAT + H A L AG++VL EKPFTL +A EL ALA +FLME
 45 Sbjct: 68 DEDVDVVYVATPHSAHRTAAGLCLEAGRNVLCCKPFTLNAREAAELVALARENGVFLME 127

Query: 123 QKSVFIPMTQVIKLLASGEIGEVISISSTTAYPN-IDHVTWTFRELELGGGTVHFMAPYA 181
 P+ + +K+L+A G IGEV S+ + R+ GGG + + Y
 Sbjct: 128 MMYCNPLVRRLELVADGAIGEVRSLLQADFLAGPFPAAHRLRDPAGGGGALLDLGVYP 187

50 Query: 182 LSYLQYLFDATITHASGTATFPKQSDSOSKLLQLSNGVLVDIFLITRLNLPHEMIY 241
 +S+ Q L T + A + D Q+ LL N L I + P+ I G
 Sbjct: 188 VSFAQLLLGEP-TDVAARAVLSEEGVDLQTGALLSYGNDALASIHCSITGGTPNSASITG 246

55 Query: 242 TEGRLIIPH-FWKTHAKLVNRNDTSARTIQVDMVSDFEKEAYHVSQMILEGQRVSHIMTP 300
 +EGR+ +P+ F+ H L R + + D + H ++ ++ R +P
 Sbjct: 247 SEGRIDVPNGFFFPDHFVLRHTGRDPQEFRADPADGPRESLRHEAEVMMRALRAGETESP 306

Query: 301 QLTLSE 306
 + L G

Sbjct: 307 LVPLDG 312

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that this protein and its epitopes, could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

5 Example 227

A DNA sequence (GBSx0241) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 721> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 722>. This protein is predicted to be valyl-tRNA synthetase (valS). Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 36
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence
 INTEGRAL Likelihood = -0.00 Transmembrane 794 - 810 (794 - 810)
 ----- Final Results -----
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.1001(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:AAAS7558 GB:L08854 valyl-tRNA synthetase [Lactobacillus casei]
 Identities = 543/881 (61%), Positives = 679/881 (76%), Gaps = 12/881 (1%)

Query: 5 LSPKYNPAEVEEGRYQTWLDQDVFKPSGDTEAKPYSIVIPPNVTGKHLGHAWDTTLQD 64
 L+PKY+ VEEGRYQ WLD+DVFKPSGD +AKPYSIVIPPNVTGKHL+GHAWDTTLQD
 Sbjct: 27 LAPKYDHKAVEEGRYQEWLDEDVFKPSGDKKAKPYSIVIPPNVTGKLMGHAWDTTLQD 86

Query: 65 IIRQKRMQCFDTLWLPMDHAGIATQAKVEERLREQGISRYDLGREKFLDKVWEWKDEY 124
 I+IRQKR++GFDTLWLPMDHAGIATQAKVE +LR++GISRYDLGREKF+ KVWEWKDE+
 Sbjct: 87 IVIRQKRIEGFDTLWLPMDHAGIATQAKVEAKLRKEGISRYDLGREKFVQKVWEWKDEF 146

Query: 125 AATIKSQWGKMGSLDYSRERFTLDEGLSKAVRKVFVDLYNKGIYRGEFIINWDPART 184
 A TI QW KMGSL+DYSRERFTLD+GL++AVR+VFVDLYN+G IYRGE+I+NWDP ART
 Sbjct: 147 AKTIHQWAKMGSLDYSRERFTLDKGLNQAVRRVFVDLYNQGLTYRGEYIVNWDPQART 206

Query: 185 ALSDIEVIHKDVEGAFYHMNMLEDGSRALVATTRPETMFGDVAVVNPEDARYKDLIG 244
 ALSDIEVIHKD +GAFYH+ Y DGS +E+ATTRPETM GD AVAV+P D RYKD++G
 Sbjct: 207 ALSDIEVIHKDDKGAFFYHVKYPFADGSGYIEIATTRPETMMGDTAVAVHPGDERYKDMVG 266

Query: 245 QNVILPIINKPIPIVADEHADPEFGTGVVKITPAHDPNDFAVGQRHNLQVNVNDDGTM 304
 +ILP+ N+ IPI+ D + DPEFGTG VKITPAHDPNDF VG RH+L ++N MNDDGTM
 Sbjct: 267 TELILPLANKPIPIEDAYVDFEFGTGAVKITPAHDPNDFQVGNRHDLKRINTMNDDGTM 326

Query: 305 NELADEFNMDRFEARKAVVAKLESIGNLVKIKKTHSVGHSERTGVVVEPRLSTQWFVK 364
 NE A ++ GMDRFEARKA+VA L+ G L+K++ HSVGHSERTGV VE RLSTQWFVK
 Sbjct: 327 NENAGKYQGMDRFEARKAMVADLDKAGLLKVEPIVHSVGHSERTGVQVEARLSTQWFVK 386

Query: 365 MDQLAKNAI-ANQDTEKVEFYPPRFNDTFMSWMENVHDWVISRQLWWGHQIPAWYN-VN 422
 M LA+ AI A Q+ + KV F P RF T++ WMEN+HDWVISRQLWWGHQIPAWYN
 Sbjct: 387 MKPLAEAAIKAQQEPDKKVTFFVPERFEHTYLQWMENIHDWVISRQLWWGHQIPAWYNKQT 446

Query: 423 GEMYVGEDAPEG-DGWTQDEVDLDTWFSSALWPFSTMGWPDTEADFKRYFPTSTLVIGY 481
 GE YVG +AP+ + W QD DVLDTWFSALWPFSTMGWP+T+A D+KRY+PT TLVIGY
 Sbjct: 447 GETYVGMEAPKDIENWKQDPDVLDTWFSSALWPFSTMGWPNTPADYKRYPTDTLVIGY 506

Query: 482 DIIFFWVSRMIFQSLEFTGRQPFNSVLIHGLIRDEEGRKMSKSLGNGIDPMDVIEKYGAD 541
 DII FWV+RMIFQ L FT ++PF LIHGL+RDE+GRKMSKSLGNGIDPMDVIEKYGAD
 Sbjct: 507 DIIPFWVARMIFQGLHFTHQRFQYTLIHGLMRDEQGRKMSKSLGNGIDPMDVIEKYGAD 566

Query: 542 ALRWFLSNGSAPGQDVRFSYEKMDASWNFINKIWNISRYILMNEGLTLDQARENVEKVV 601
 ALRWFL G+ PGQD RFSY++++A+WNFINKIWNISR+++MN L Q +
 Sbjct: 567 ALRWFLITGNKPGQDTRFSYKQVEAANWFINKIWNISRFVMMNLGDLDTPOQPD----- 620

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Query: 602 NSQVGNVTDRLWILHNLNETVGKVTENFDKFEFGVAGHILYNFIWEEFANWYVELTKEVLY 661
 +++D+W+ LNET+ +V + +FEFG G LYNF W A+WVE++KEVLY
 Sbjct: 621 -PSTFDLSKWLFAQLNETIKQVMDLSARFEFGMGRTLYNFTWNVLADWYVEMSKEVLY 679

5 Query: 662 SDNEDEKVITRSVLLYTLDQILRLLHPMPFVTEEIF--GQYAECSIVLASYPQVNATFE 719
 D+E K R L Y LDQILRLLHP+MPFV +++ + SIV ASYP N FE
 Sbjct: 680 GDDEQAKAAKRVNLAYALDQILRLLHPVMPFVHGKWLALPHTGKSIVTASYPVANTAFE 739

10 Query: 720 NQTAHKGVESLKDILRSVRNSRAEVNVAPSKPITILVKTSDSELESFFKDNSNYIKRFTN 779
 N A ++++ LIR VR R E + ILVK +D L+ F+ N ++I RF N
 Sbjct: 740 NADATSAMDAIIALIRGVRGIRKEAGAPLTKVDILVKLTDPAKPIFEQNFDIDRFVN 799

Query: 780 PETLEISSAIATPELAMSSVITGAEIFLPLADLLNVEELARLEKELAKWQKELDMVGKK 839
 + + + +A P++A S+VITGA IF+PL +L+++EE A+L K+ K ++E+ + KK
 15 Sbjct: 800 SKAFTVGTDAEPKMGASAVITGATIFVPLNELIDLDEEKAKLTKDAKKLEQEIARIDKK 859

Query: 840 LSNERFVANAKPEVVQKEKDKQTDYQTKYDATIARIEEMKK 880
 L+N+ F++ A VV +++ K++D++ + +T R+E++++
 20 Sbjct: 860 LNNQGFLSKAPEAVVAEQRTKRSDFDQLTSTKQRLQLQR 900

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 723> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 724>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 61

>>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----

bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.5062(Affirmative) < succ>

bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 782/878 (89%), Positives = 818/878 (93%)

Query: 4 ELSPKYNPAEVEEGRYQTWLDQDVFKPSGDTEAKPYSIVIPPENVTKGLHLGHAWDTTLQ 63
 35 ELSPKYNPAEVE GRYQ WLD DVFKPSGD +AKPYSIVIPPENVTKGLHLGHAWDTTLQ
 Sbjct: 3 ELSPKYNPAEVEAGRYQKWLDADVFKPSGDQKAKPYSIVIIPPENVTKGLHLGHAWDTTLQ 62

Query: 64 DIIIRQKRMQGFDTLWLPGMDHAGIATQAKVEERLREQGISRYDLGREKFLDKVWEWKDE 123
 40 DIIIRQKRMQGFDTLWLPGMDHAGIATQAKVEERLREQGISRYDLGR+KFLDKVWEWKDE
 Sbjct: 63 DIIIRQKRMQGFDTLWLPGMDHAGIATQAKVEERLREQGISRYDLGRDKFLDKVWEWKDE 122

Query: 124 YAATIKSQWGMGLSVDYSRERFTLDEGLSKAVRKVFVDLYNKGWYRGEFIINWDPAR 183
 45 YA TTK QWGMGLSVDYSRERFTLDEGLSKAVRKVFVDLY KGWYRGEFIINWDPAR
 Sbjct: 123 YATTIKEQWGMGLSVDYSRERFTLDEGLSKAVRKVFVDLYKKGWYRGEFIINWDPAR 182

Query: 184 TALSDIEVIHKDVEGAFYHMNYMLEDGSRALVATTRPETMFGDVAVAVNPEDARYKDLI 243
 50 TALSDIEVIHKDVEGAFYHMNYMLEDGSRAL+VATTRPETMFGDVAVAVNPED RYKDLI
 Sbjct: 183 TALSDIEVIHKDVEGAFYHMNYMLEDGSRALQVATTRPETMFGDVAVAVNPEDPRYKDLI 242

Query: 244 GQNVILPIINKPIPIVADEHADPEFGTGVVKITPAHDPNDFAVGQRHNLQVNVNMDDGT 303
 55 G+NVILPI+NK IPIV DEHADPEFGTGVVKITPAHDPNDF VGQRHNLQVNVNMDDGT
 Sbjct: 243 GKNVILPIVNKLPIVGEHADPEFGTGVVKITPAHDPNDFEFGQRHNLQVNVNMDDGT 302

Query: 304 MNELADEFNMGDRFEARKAVVAKLESGLNLVKIKKTHSVGHSERTGVVVEPRLSTQWFV 363
 60 MNELA +F GMDRFEAR+A VAKLE LG LV I+K HSVGHSER+G VVEPRLSTQWFV
 Sbjct: 303 MNELAGDFAGMDRFEARQATVAKLEELGALVNIEKRVHSGHSERSGAVVEPRLSTQWFV 362

Query: 364 KMDQLAKNAIANQDTEKVEFYPPRFNDTFMSWMENVHDWVISRQLWNGHQIPAWYNVNG 423
 65 KMD+LAK A+ NQ+T+D+V+FYPFRFNDTF+ WMENVHDWVISRQLWNGHQIPAWYN G
 Sbjct: 363 KMDLAKQAMDNQETDDRVDFYPPRFNDTFLOWMENVDWVISRQLWNGHQIPAWYNAEG 422

Query: 424 EMYVGEDAPEGDGWTQDEDVLDTWFSALWPFSTMGWPDTEAADFKRYFPTSTLTGYDI 483
 E+YVGE+APEGD WTQDEDVLDTWFSALWPFSTMGWPD+ DFKRYFPTSTLTGYDI
 65 Sbjct: 423 EIYVGEEAPEGDDWTQDEDVLDTWFSALWPFSTMGWPDTEADFKRYFPTSTLTGYDI 482

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Query: 484 IFFWVSRMIFQSLEFTGRQPPSNVLIHGLIRDEEGRKMSKSLGNGIDPMDVIEKYGADAL 543
 IFFWVSRMIFQSLEFTGRQPF NVLIHGLIRDEEGRKMSKSLGNGIDPMDVIEKYGAD+L
 Sbjct: 483 IFFWVSRMIFQSLEFTGRQPPQNVLIHGLIRDEEGRKMSKSLGNGIDPMDVIEKYGADSL 542

5 Query: 544 RWFLSNGSAPGQDVRFSYEKMDASWNFINKIWNISRYILMNNEGLTLDQARENVEKVNVS 603
 RWFLSNGSAPGQDVRFSYEKMDASWNFINKIWNISRYILMNNEGLT+ A NV KV S
 Sbjct: 543 RWFLSNGSAPGQDVRFSYEKMDASWNFINKIWNISRYILMNNEGLTLEDAESNVAKVAAS 602

10 Query: 604 QVGNVTRWILHNLNETVGKVTENFDKFEFGVAGHILYNFIWEEFANWYVELTKEVLYSD 663
 + GNVID+WILHNLNET+ KVTENFDKFEFGVAGHILYNFIWEEFANWYVELTKEVLYSD
 Sbjct: 603 EAGNVTDQWILHNLNETIAKVTENFDKFEFGVAGHILYNFIWEEFANWYVELTKEVLYSD 662

15 Query: 664 NEDEKVITRSVLLYTLDQILRLHLPIMPVFVTEEIFGQYAEGSIVLASYPQVNATFENQTA 723
 NE EKVITRSVLLYTLD+ILRLHLPIMPVFVTEEI+ QYA+GSIV YP V FEN+ A
 Sbjct: 663 NEAEKVITRSVLLYTLDKILRLHLPIMPVFVTEEIIYAQYAGSIVTVDPVVRPAFENEAA 722

20 Query: 724 HKGVESLKDILIRSVRNSRAEVNVAPSKPITILVKTSDSELESFFKDNSNYIKRFTNPETL 783
 HKGVESLKDILIR+VRN+RAEVNVAPSKPITILVKT+DSELE FF N NYIK FTNPE L
 Sbjct: 723 HKGVESLKDILIRAVRNARAENVAPSKPITILVKTADSELEDFNSNINNYIKCFINPEKL 782

25 Query: 784 EISSAIATPELAMSSVITGAEIFLPLADLLNVEEELARLEKELAKWQKELDMVGKKLSNE 843
 EISSAIA PELAM+S+ITGAEI+LPLADLLNVEEELARL+KELAKWQKELDMVGKKL NE
 Sbjct: 783 EISSAIAPELAMTSIITGAEIYLPLADLLNVEEELARLDKELAKWQKELDMVGKKLGNE 842

Query: 844 RFVANAKPEVVQKEKDKQTDYQTKYDATIARIEEMKKL 881
 RFVANAKPEVVQKEKDKQ DYQ KYDAT RI EMKK+
 Sbjct: 843 RFVANAKPEVVQKEKDKQADYQAKYDATQERIAEMKKI 880

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for
 vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 228

A DNA sequence (GBSx0242) was identified in *S.agalactiae* <SEQ ID 725> which encodes the amino acid
 sequence <SEQ ID 726>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 30
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0669(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S.pyogenes* <SEQ ID 727> which encodes the amino acid
 sequence <SEQ ID 728>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 57
 >>> Seems to have a cleavable N-term signal seq.

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.3000(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has no significant homology with any sequences in the GENPEPT database.

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below:

Identities = 148/191 (77%), Positives = 165/191 (85%)

Query: 14 GEKKKMNIIIIGAQASGKMTIGQEI AKQTGMTLPHNHDSIDFVLRFPWPSPDSIALTESI 73

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G + KMN+IIIGAQAAGKMTIGQE+A+QTGMTLFHNHDSIDFVLRFPMPWS +S AL E I
 Sbjct: 3 GAETKMNLIIGAQAAGKMTIGQEVARQTGMTLFHNHDSIDFVLRFPMPWSQESTALIERI 62
 Query: 74 RFKFFETFAKTGQEMIFTIVDFNDSRDVVFLEKIQIVFQSHNQEVLFVELETESERLK 133
 RF FFETFAKTGQ+MIFTIVDFND DV LEKIQ VFQS++QEVLFVEL+T++ ERLK
 Sbjct: 63 RFAPFETFAKTGQDMIFTIVDFNDPNDVAMLEKIQAVFQSYDQEVLFVELKTDIEERLK 122
 Query: 134 RNRTENRLKHKPSKRDIKWSESDICSTMDYAFNPEVAPEALTYHKINNTCLTATETAY 193
 RNRTENRLKHKP KR+I+WSE DI STM YA+FNPE P+ LT+Y KINNT LTA ETA
 Sbjct: 123 RNRTENRLKHKPLKRNIEWSEQDIQSTMAYAVFNPEEPPKTLTHYQKINNTQLTAAETAQ 182
 Query: 194 LIIQKINQIKE 204
 LIIQK+ IKE
 Sbjct: 183 LIIQKMTHIKE 193

Based on this analysis, it was predicted that these proteins and their epitopes could be useful antigens for vaccines or diagnostics.

Example 229

A DNA sequence (GBSx0243) was identified in *S. agalactiae* <SEQ ID 729> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 730>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 49
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.3614(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

The protein has homology with the following sequences in the GENPEPT database:

>GP:BAB04556 GB:AP001510 unknown conserved protein [Bacillus halodurans]
 Identities = 60/189 (31%), Positives = 102/189 (53%), Gaps = 3/189 (1%)
 Query: 7 EIVDNQLPVVETNRLLLRQRKLEDAKEIFEVVKLDEVSYAGFPFAVKSLEEEITYIQEIY 66
 E + LP +ET RL LR+ +DA I+++ ++V+ + +S+++ ++ +
 Sbjct: 4 EDIYGDLPTELETERLRKFKYKDDAAAIYDYASNEQVTKYVLWETHQSIKDSEAFLA--F 61
 Query: 67 PTNLEKEKLPESGYAITLKGGDKVIGSVDFNH-RHEDDIFEIGYLLHPDYWGQGIVPEAAS 125
 N EK S +AI LK ++++IG+VDF + +D E+GY+L YWGQGI+ EA +
 Sbjct: 62 ALNKYDEKDVSPWAIELKRNERMIGTVDVFWWKPKDKTAEELGYVLSEPYWGQGIMTEAVN 121
 Query: 126 ALVEIGFTLLGLHKLIELGSCYDYNKQSQAVARKLGFTLEANIRDRDAQKRCGDMRFGLL 185
 ALVE GF + L +I+ C+ N S V K G E R +G + ++
 Sbjct: 122 ALVEFGFNNMELERIQAKCFAENISSARVMEKAGLIYEGTHRRATYVKGHRDFKVYAI 181
 Query: 186 RSEWEKKRR 194
 R ++E+K +
 Sbjct: 182 REDYEQKHQ 190

A related DNA sequence was identified in *S. pyogenes* <SEQ ID 731> which encodes the amino acid sequence <SEQ ID 732>. Analysis of this protein sequence reveals the following:

Possible site: 30
 >>> Seems to have no N-terminal signal sequence

----- Final Results -----
 bacterial cytoplasm --- Certainty=0.1864(Affirmative) < succ>
 bacterial membrane --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>
 bacterial outside --- Certainty=0.0000(Not Clear) < succ>

An alignment of the GAS and GBS proteins is shown below: